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A Must for Republicans: Agenda for the Voters and A Vow to Follow Through

By E. J. Dionne Jr.

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HOUSTON — With a barrage of oratory, Republicans are embarking on what many of their strategists regard as the most important mission of their convention: convincing a doubtful nation that President George Bush

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has coherent solutions to the country's domestic problems, and that he will fight hard for them if he wins a second term. Few here pretend that this will be an easy sell

- and many Republicans say it is awfully late to be trying. Bush loyalists acknowledge that the president has seemed rejuctant to battle hard even for the programs he has proposed himself. And they say he is still suffering from the fact that he was elected in 1988 more as an opponent of Democratic domestic initiatives — notably taxes — than as a proponent of any domestic plans of his own.

"The source of some of our problems," said William Kristol, chief of staff for Vice President Dan Quayle, "was defining an agenda that was negative. We have paid a price."

But Mr. Kristol and other conservatives see this convention not only as a chance to reverse Mr. Bush's image of domestic indifference, but also as an opportunity to showcase what they believe are genuine conservative alternatives to Democratic policy initiatives.

The opening lineup of speakers is heavily tilted toward advocates of what Mr. Kristol and his allies call "the conservative reform agenda." Speaker after speaker touts such programs as

vouchers to allow poor children to attend private schools, tenant ownership or management of public housing and health care reforms

based on incentives to allow individuals and businesses to buy private insurance.

The idea that unites these proposals is that government is better off "empowering individnais," as the popular conservative slogan goes, than in creating new bureaucracies. As the preamble to the platform put it: "We see with new clarity that centralized government bu-reaucracies created in this century are not the wave of the future. Never again will people trust planners and paper shufflers more than

thust planners and paper shufflers more than they trust themselves."

This might be read simply as an updated, post-Cold War version of old-style conservative rhetoric. But by giving lead roles in the session on domestic issues to such top administration figures as Housing and Urban Development Secretary Jack F. Kemp, Education Secretary Lamar Alexander and Health and Human Services Secretary Louis W. Sollivan, the Bush camp hopes to convince voters that it has put substance behind the exportations. nce behind the exhortations.

All three, and particularly Mr. Kemp, have been spinning off policies sufficiently attractive that the Democratic nominee, Bill Clinton, has picked up on some of them.

Mr. Kristol says it is an "irony" that conservatives are perceived as running out of ideas at a time when their policy thinking on problems like education and health care is "much further along than in the Reagan era.

The platform resonates with this agenda, too.

Although most of the controversy over the document focuses on its strong anti-abortion plank and its conservative stands on such social issues as pornography, homosexuality and the family, much of it is dedicated to more traditional areas of public policy.

It calls for "a revolution in housing by con-See PARTY, Page 6

President and Convention Get Off to a Feisty Start

HOUSTON — Republicans coordinated a convention attack Tuesday on Bill Clinton's remedies for the economy and what they called the "block everything" Democratic Congress. Senator Phil Gramm of Texas, the keynote

speaker, said a "cavalry charge" was needed to re-elect the Republican ticket and predicted that one was just over the horizon.

President George Bush, who is behind in the polls, said the Convention was "off to a poetry sood start." But there will a freed when the m the economy, his tiggest political trouble spot. Housing starts fell 2.8 percent in July despite the lowest mortgage rates in nearly two decades. Construction was off in every region but the South.

The second evening session of the convention

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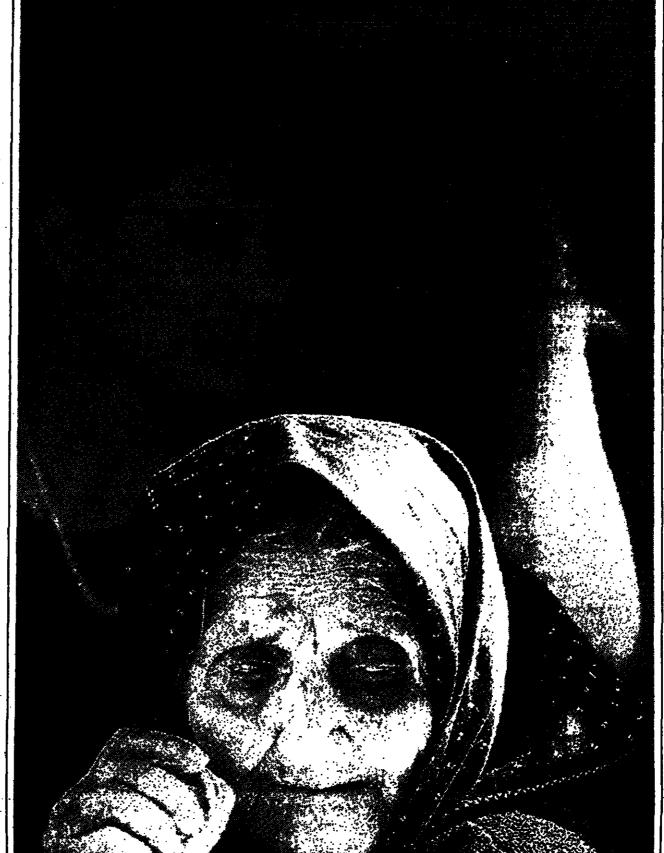
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Housing Secretary Jack F. Kemp and other members of the cabinet. The speeches stressed Mr. Bush's first-term accomplishments and contrasted them to proposals by Governor Clinton, the Democratic nomine

Mr. Gramm, a likely 1996 presidential contender, said the Clinton economic program was "worse than sleaze" and would raise taxes, cut employment and "decimate car economy."

The Democrats fought back with two new television commercials—kired during the convention, and only in Houston and Washington designed to blunt the Republican attacks on their candidate.

"And now a short break for the facts," the amouncer said in one of them. "On Nov. 5, See BUSH, Page 3



FAREWELL TO SARAJEVO - Casting a wistful last look, an elderly Serb waited for a bus to Belgrade. Almost 1,000 were to go.

Allies to Ban Iraqi Flights To Protect Shiite Zone

British Official Says Shield Will Be Set Up 'In the Next Few Days'

Compiled by Our Stoff From Despatcher
LONDON — The Gulf War allies plan to impose an air exclusion zone over southern Iraq in the next few days and attack any Iraqi plane entering the area, according to British and French officials.

Senior British government officials said the decision to set up the zone was made after a cabinet meeting led by Prime Minister John

It is something we propose to do in the next few days," a senior government official said. In Washington, the Defense Department spokesman, Pete Williams, accused Iraq of

Diplomats say the U.S. could take action against Iraq without UN authorization. Page 2.

"heightened disregard" for United Nations Security Council resolutions. He described "intrusive" moves by Iraqi ground and air troops

in southern Iraq.

Mr. Major, who interrupted his vacation in Spain to head the cabinet meeting, accused President Saddam Hussein of waging "systematic murder, genocide, of the Shittes," who have rebelled against his rule.

"We propose to monitor the whole area from

the air," he said in a broadcast interview. "We will instruct the Iraqis not to fly in that area. They will be attacked if they fly in the area that is proscribed."

If Iraqi forces try to fight back, he added, "I think we have seen in the past that they would

"We're not doing it for no good reason," he said. "It's happening because there is clear evidence now of the systematic murder, genocide, of the Shias; bombing by Saddam from the air on the Shias, reports - not yet confirmed, but fairly good reports - of napalm being used."

Foreign Minister Roland Dumas of France confirmed that the allies would forbid Iraqi

military flights over Shiite territory.

"The Baghdad regime has not been any more tender with the Shitte population than with the Kurdish population," Mr. Dumas said in Paris. "Thus the international community, and the allies in particular, are concerned about this

measures taken last year to protect the Kurds. Among the actions taken, "one was very effective: barring overflights of the zone by Iraqi aircraft," he said. "Therefore, we are considering among the allies taking the same action in See IRAQ, Page 6

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OFF THE COURT - Larry Bird, the basketball star, announcing his retirement in Boston on Tuesday. Page 14.

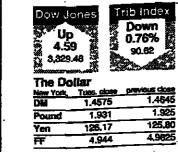
A Shift in U.K. Policy On Troops for Bosnia

In a major change in policy, Britain told the United Nations on Tuesday that it was willing to send up to 1,800 ground troops to the conflict in Bosnia-Herzegovina to escort convoys delivering humanitarian aid. Britain had said it was opposed to the use of force to end the fighting in Bosnia, and had been reductant to commit troops for fear they would become embroiled in the conflict. (Page 2.)

A 145,000-ton U.S. food sirift to Somalia is scheduled to begin Thursday. Page 6. Taiwan is making quiet but significant dip-lomatic gains in Europe and Asia. Page 5.

Business/Finance

Germany gave a rosy economic forecast for the coming four years.



Record Losses **Drive Wang Into Chapter 11**

By Lawrence Malkin International Revald Tribune

NEW YORK — Wang Laboratories Inc., the company that pioneered the word processor, filed for bankruptcy protection on Tuesday in a computer industry upheaval punishing companies that fail to keep pace with innovation.

The onetime Massachusetts miracle company piled up \$1.5 billion in losses during the past

three years and announced that it faced a further loss of about \$1.4 billion for 1992. Wang said it had recorded a loss of \$116 million for the fourth quarter on \$473 million of revenue, despite strategic support from International Business Machines Corp. to sell Big Blue's computers in a deal that did not work out. Coincidentally, IBM announced in New York that it was entering an agreement with Sears, Roebuck & Co. to merge the two compa-nies' huge national data and voice networks in the kind of software deal that many analysts see as the future of the computer business.

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"Hardware now is just a commodity, and what is happening to Wang is happening to all hardware manufacturers," said Susan McGarry, chief computer industry analyst at

the Yankee consulting group in Boston.

"The way ahead in the industry now is through software and services, and it will be a struggle for all computer manufacturers to keep up. The United States has been dominant in this field, but foreign companies are making inroads. No place is exempt from competition.

The company was founded by An Wang, a Harvard-educated Chinese mamigrant, above a Boston hardware store in 1951. He invented the magnetic computer memory, producing a desktop calculator and then a word processor based on a central midsized computer. The Wang system became a worldwide leader but failed to hold its edge in the 1980s because it was based on technology that did not fit with industrywide standards developed for personal comput-

III with cancer, Mr. Wang dumped his son as heir apparent and brought in Richard W. Miller from General Electric Co.'s consumer electronics division. When Mr. Miller became chairman after Mr. Wang's death in March 1990, he cut costs, halved the company's \$1 billion debt and accepted \$25 million in capital from IBM to sell its computers with a Wang label. IBM would have added a further \$75 million next year if

sales justified it, but clearly they did not.

Meanwhile, Wang developed a new office software strategy. But the bankruptcy announcement acknowledged that "the company's resources and cash flow were not sufficient to complete the restructuring without resorting

Mr. Miller said the bankruptcy filing in Bos-ton federal court was "a drastic step that I deeply regret." But he said it was the only way See WANG, Page 11

Tokyo's Moves to Cure Market Don't Convince Skeptics

By Steven Brull

ional Herald Tribune TOKYO - Alarmed by yet another steep plunge in Japanese stock prices Tuesday, the' government announced measures to support the market, but analysts said they were unlikely to have much effect

Finance Minister Tsotumu Hata, announcing the measures, said Japanese financial institutions were in their worst straits since the end

In Tuesday trading, the Tokyo stock mar-

ket's key Nikkei index plunged 620.14 points, or 4.15 percent, to 14,309.41, its lowest level since March 12, 1986. Authorities are increasingly worried that the decline in the stock market is prolonging and deepening Japan's recession. The Nikkei has fallen 38 percent this year and stands 63 percent below its all-time high set in December 1989.

Tokyo's fall on Tuesday fed declines in Europe, where the London, Paris and Frankfurt arkets moved lower. The International Herald Tribune World Stock Index closed off 0.76

Having failed to brake the Japanese equity market's decline with classic fiscal and monetary moves, the government is resorting to what it knows best: administrative guidance and mi-

Mr. Hata said he would urge banks not to sell stocks to raise cash. Further, he plans to loosen regulations to help banks camouflage portfolio

knowledging the problems of the financial scotor but said the moves amacked of sleight-of-hand. "The whole thing is an accounting massage," said Craig Chudler, strategist at UBS Phillips & Drew. "It's a game of playing for time and it's user deanesters." time and it's very dangerous."

Mr. Hata appeared worried that the stock market would fall sharply if Japanese financial See MARKET, Page 10

Jailed Plotters See Soviet Coup As Patriotic Act

By Michael Dobbs

Washington Past Service

MOSCOW — A year after trying to seize power in a coup, the men who wanted to restore a hard-line Communist system in the Soviet Union are unrepentant about their actions, and they feel certain that public opinion is turning in their direction.

"A great country was in the process of being destroyed," Gennadi I Yanayev, the former Soviet vice president, who was the nominal head of the eight-man coup group, said in a television interview from his prison cell. "My colleagues and I wanted to make one last effort to try and save it. My only guilt is that I had the chance to change someth

In an open letter to the Russian president, Boris N. Yeltsin, the former KGB chief, Vla-dimir A. Kryuchkov, described the "August See MOSCOW, Page 5



Soldiers of the Red Banner Tank Division, which was in Moscow a year ago to back the coup, marking the amiversary in training.

Fearing Extinction, a Culture Fastens on the Kurils

By James Sterngold

New York Times Service AKAN, Japan --- Masanori Toyooka, a broad-shouldered man who studies the dying language of his ancestors and plays electronic 1822 in a coffee shop in this wooded corner of Hokkaido, is searching for something rare in

In his case, it is pride in being a member of the Aim. Japan's indigenous people, who re-treated centuries ago to Hokkaido, Japan's northecomost island. His search has led him into the thick of one of the country's knottiest post-Cold-War problems — how to persuade Russia to return four rugged northern islands seized in the closing days of World War II.

Japan: pride in being different

Mr. Toyooka and a group he works with have proposed that the islands, part of the Kuril chain, not be returned to Japan, but trans-formed into an autonomous region for the Ainu, who people spent centuries hunting and fishing there before being forced out by both the Japanese and Russians. It is a quixotic campaign, and it has met with a stony silence from both sides.

Japan's government has invested the issue of the islands with more emotion than any other foreign policy goal. Many Japanese see it as a test of whether this nation, nearly destroyed by a war of its own making, can ever feel comple ly rehabilitated. For many Russians, the prob-lem also touches a raw nationalistic nerve, since even the prospect of billions of dollars in Japa-

nese aid cannot dampen their anger over the

The issue has become even more politically charged recently, with President Boris N. Yelt-sin of Russia scheduled to visit Tokyo in mid-September. The two sides have been locked in negotiations over what they will be forced to concede to break the deadlock.

But for Mr. Toyooka and some other Ainu who support the idea of autonomy, the island issue has nothing to do with power politics. It represents a last attempt to fend off cultural

There is more than a touch of romanticism in his view that, by returning to their ancestral lands, the Ainu, who have neither hunted nor fished for decades, will reconnect with an an-

because of assimilation. Yet, he insists, his proposal is based on a bluntly realistic assessment of the prospects of preserving an independent identity within a society whose creed is homogeneity.

"Most Japanese believe in this illusion that Japan is a completely homogeneous state," said Mr. Toyooka, who wears a traditional Ainu embroidered cap and coat. "We are just an obstacle for them."

The latest government survey in 1986 counted 24,381 Ainu, scattered in several pockets of Hokkaido, like this tourist stop on Lake Akan. where there are a few rows of souvenir shops See AINU, Page 6

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From the Hast

UNITED NATIONS, New York - The United States wields immense influence over the workings of the special commission to disarm Iraq, diplomats here say, and could also at any time take unilateral military action without further UN authorization.

"In theory, they should go through the Security Council first," a Western diplomat said of the U.S. government, "but in practice they probably don't have to." American officials told The New York

Times over the weekend that the United States and its allies planned to use a UN inspection team to provoke a confrontation with Baghdad that could have led to U.S. military intervention and enhance President George Bush's political stature during the Republican National Convention.

Mr. Bush and other officials high in the administration strongly denied the report of political influence on decision-making. UN officials in New York vehemently denied that the United States had played any role in the selection of installations that the

commission's teams would inspect or of the time when any particular inspection would

U.S. Could Strike Saddam at Will, Diplomats Say

"The United States is a major supporter of the work of the special commission," a UN official said. "We've always acknowledged that. The U.S. supplies us with the most information, the most inspectors, the most equipment and the most money. But none of that affects the independence of the inspec-

A UN official said ties between the commission and the United States were so close that inspection teams returning from Iraq typically met with American officials before reporting to the Security Council. Intelligence comes from various sources,

the official said, adding, "But once we have it, we analyze it, and we decide when and Gary Milhollin, an arms-control expert in Washington, said: "The U.S. has never been able to control the special commission. They

have never been puppets. The recent reports that the United States had virtually stage-managed a special commission team severely affected the commission's credibility, another UN official said. "We had been very successful in maintaining our credibility with both sides," he said.
"The suggestion that the U.S. tells us what to do damages our credibility with the members

of the Security Council, with Iraq, with ev-

Rolf Ekeus, chairman of the special commission, has threatened to resign on several occasions, a UN official said, when he felt that Security Council members were paying insufficient attention to his findings or trying to limit the commission's independence.

He has insisted that the commission needs to be fully independent, but the official said Mr. Ekeus had been particularly sensitive to the advice from American officials. The special commission to find and de-

stroy Iraq's nuclear, chemical and biological weapons was created in April 1991 as part of the cease-fire agreement in the Guif War. Since then, its inspection teams have regularly been threatened and harassed by the Iraqi

After each threat, the United States has

warned of possible military intervention, and

Iraq has backed down.
"Armed intervention is a nice legal argument," a diplomat said. "It could be argued that a breach of the cease-fire agreement, such as thwarting the work of the inspectors, automatically reconstitutes the coalition that antomatically reconstitutes the coalition that won the war. In which case, the U.S. could Rebellion probably send in its planes unilaterally."

Others disagree. Mr. Milhollin, who works

for the Wisconsin Project on Nuclear Proliferation, said the United States would almost certainly have to go through the Security Council to get approval to attack Iraq. cessionist Abkhazia region and "But who is the Security Council?" he crush resistance. asked. "Britain and France would almost

certainly endorse the action immediately." Asked if U.S. bellicosity had hampered the work of the inspection teams in Iraq, a UN official said just the opposite was true.

"It has been very helpful indeed," he said. "It's comforting to the inspectors on the ground to know that we have such support. And we know that Iraq knows what the quences will be if it continues to thwart

WORLD BRIEFS Georgians Send Tanks German Journalist Killed in Lebanon To Quell

MOSCOW — Georgia seut

Shevardnadze, was prepared to re-

On Monday, Mr. Shevardnadze

The former Soviet foreign minis-

said Georgian troops had crushed the Abkhazian rebels.

ter returned to his homeland in

March after the violent overthrow

killed when Georgian tanks and armored personnel carriers rolled

into the center of town shortly be-

Abkhazian officials said Teesday that as many as 50 bodies had

been taken to the morgne over the

preceding 24 hours, but this could

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ers of Mr. Gamsakhurdia, who now

lives in exile in the Chechen repub-

Mr. Ardzinba and other members

of the Abkhazian government had

fled up the coast to the town of

Gudauta, which is still in Abkha-

The Georgian move into Sukhu-

mi followed three days of fruitless negotiations. Mr. Shevardnadze

sent troops to Abkhazia last week

to hunt for Gamsakhurdia support-

ers, but then withdrew them over

On Monday, he told Georgians

to be ready to fight "the forces of

evil" - his term for armed hands

loyal to the former president -

ised to go to the aid of Abkhazia if

Georgian troops are not with-

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neutrality in the fighting. Several

thousand Russian troops are de-

ployed in Abkhazia but have re-

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GHADIR, Lebanon (Reuters) — A German journalist was killed Tuesday when a bomb strapped under her car exploded as she set off to buy milk for her baby daughter.

Security sources and witnesses said the journalist, Gabrille Marian Hulsen, 29, was killed when the bomb exploded seconds after she started the engine near her house in Ghadir, 15 kilometers (10 miles) northeast of

Miss Hulsen worked for the German magazine Spiegel and the Spiegel TV and ZDF television networks. Her husband, Ghassan Habbas, a Lebanese nightclub owner, said he did not know whether political motives had been behind the killing.

tanks and helicopters Tuesday to disperse the parliament of the se-Trial of Ex-CIA Aide Goes to Jury

WASHINGTON (NYT) - The jury will begin deliberating Thursday in the case of Clair E. George, the former CIA official who is charged with Street fighting in the Abkhazian capital, Sukhumi, suggested that lying to Congress and investigators about his knowledge of the Iranthe Georgian leader, Ednard A. contra affair as it unraveled in the final months of 1986.

The presentation of testimony ended suddenly Monday as the defense reversed itself, without explanation, and decided not to call Robert M. Gates, the present director of central intelligence.

During the time that Mr. George is accused of having fied to Congress, Mr. Gates was deputy director of central intelligence and Mr. George's immediate superior. Mr. George is the highest-ranking CIA official charged in the affair.

Impeachment Of Collor Is Expected

of the country's first freely elected president, Zviad K. Gamsakhur-BRASILIA (Reuters) - A congressional committee investigating corruption in the Brazilian government has found sufficient evidence to Russian reporters in Sukhumi said that at least five people were

justify a request for impeachment proceedings against President Fernando Collor de Mello, the panel's president said Tuesday.

The committee president, Benito Gama, said that a formal request to Congress to judge the president was "inevitable." The committee began its work after Mr. Collor's vernous backer, Bedro, said in May that the its work after Mr. Collor's younger brother, Pedro, said in May that the ident had benefited from a corruption network in the government. Its final report is due to be published on Saturday.

"There is evidence, not proof, that will make an impeachment request against the president inevitable," Mr. Gama said. He cited bank statements showing transfers of money to the president's secretary.

Old Chart Blamed in QE2 Grounding The independent Interfax news agency said that the Georgian flag had been raised over the Abkha-

BOSTON (Combined Dispatches) - The lawyer for the Cunard Line has blamed the U.S. government for the grounding of the Queen Efizabeth 2, calling its failure to chart a 1,300-foot-long, 325-foot-wide ledge in Vineyard Sound "an aberration."

A semiautonomous region on the The fact that there were rocks nobody knew about, that's why we are Black Sea coast with a population of 550,000, more than half of whom here today," the lawyer, Harry A. Gotimer, said during a break in accident hearings that are being conducted by the National Transportaare Georgians, Abkhazia declared tion Safety Board and the Coast Guard. its independence from Georgia last

The uncharted ledge, discovered by divers Saturday under 35 feet (10 meters) of water in an area where the agency's chart shows 39 feet is believed to be site of the accident, on Aug. 7.

(NYT, AP) Georgian officials had accused the Abkhazian authorities of pro-

8 Die as Trains Collide in Bulgaria

SOFIA, Bulgaria (AP) - At least eight people died and more than 60 were injured when a train carrying tourists home from Black Sea resorts collided with a freight train outside Sofia, state radio reported Tuesday. Abkhazian leaders rejected the In a Georgian invasion."

Eight passenger cars were detailed in the collision late Monday at Kazichene station, about 15 kilometers (10 miles) east of the Bulgarian capital. The train was translined to the Bulgarian capital. charge, saying that it was a pretext

Vladislav Ardzinba, had resigned after the Georgian entry into Su-Japan Plutonium Cargo Ship to Sail But Abkhazian activists said that

TOKYO (AFP) - The Akatsuki Marua, a ship specially outfitted to transport a consignment of plutonium from France, is ready to leave Japan on its mission, press reports said Tuesday. Its cargo is to fuel Japan's first fast-breeder nuclear reactor at Monju.

The 4,800-ton vessel will leave Yokohama this week for France and will

return to Japan in late November bearing one ton of plutonium, Asahi Shimbun said. This consignment will be the first since 1984, when 190 kilos (418 pounds) of plutonium derived from Japanese nuclear waste was transported by sea from France to Japan.

TRAVEL UPDATE

City prosecutors in St. Petersburg filed a lawsuit Tuesday sceking hydroguete empensation from air-traffic controllers whose 12-hour strike last week compensation from air-uman disrupted air travel in Russia.

who were concentrated in the west. Jordan now accepts U.S. passports bearing Israeli entry and exit stamps, a U.S. consular official in Jersualem said Tuesday. People traveling in the Middle East from Israel routinely carry second passports The fighting in Abkhazia has the potential of spreading to other areas in the northern Caucasus, a groups.
The Chechen republic has prom-

Five miles of Southern California's popular coastline from Venice to Playa del Rey remained closed to swimmers after discovery of contaminants in the ocean.

Japan Air Lines plans direct weekly flights between Tokyo and Munich starting Oct. 25, airline officials said. The plan is subject to approval by the Japanese Transport Ministry.

China General Purpose Airline, a regional carrier, has grounded its five remaining Yakovlev-42 jetliners following the crash of one of the planes last month in eastern China, the Xinhua news agency said. (UPI)

A passenger liner carrying 840 passengers and 400 crew off Rhode Island was rendered inoperable Tuesday when a sewer line burst over its main electrical panel, the Coast Guard said. The ship, the Regent Sun. Russian vacationers and the was anchored off Newport



North America Pessant, sumy weather is in store from Boston to Washington, D.C., Thursday, Friday and perhaps even Saturday, Nice weather will also extend to Toronto and Chicago, After recent hot weather, much cooler air will move into the North-

Europe
London will be warmer than usual Thursday and Friday. Rain and cooler weather will arrive by the weakend. Paris will be parity sunny and warm through Friday. Heat will continue over

ISTUELIS SCLY RenterS RenterS JERUSALEM — The United Syria that U.S. troops serve on the Golan Heights under the terms of a future peace treaty, an Israeli newspaper said Tuesday. "The U.S. is expecting Syria's response to its proposal to station American troops on certain areas to of the Golan in the context of a peace arrangement, which would include returning sovertignty of the heights to its hands," the Tel Aviv daily Ha'aretz reported. It said James A. Baker 3d made the proposal to Prime Minister Street Syria during his recent Middle East visit, before steroving Special Street Str fez Assad of Syria during his recent fez Assad of Syria during his recent scenario Middle East visit, before stepping States 3188 25/7 8 3188 24/75 5 3483 23/73 8 3485 23/73 9 35/85 22/71 8 33/81 22/71 8 33/81 22/71 8 33/81 22/71 8 42/107 28/82 8 43/109 27/80 8

U.K. Offers Troops To Back Bosnia Aid

By William E. Schmidt

New York Times Service LONDON - Britain told the United Nations on Tuesday that it was willing to send as many as 1,800 ground troops to the conflict in Bosnia-Herzegovina if the UN needs them to help escort relief convoys delivering food and medi-

But in offering the troops to the United Nations, Prime Minister John Major insisted that British soldiers would not become involved in the fighting among the warring militias, nor would they seek to play any role in forcing open land corridors to besieged

The British government has said repeatedly that it was opposed to the use of force to end the lighting in Bosnia, and until now had been reluctant to commit British troops to the former Yugoslav republics for fear that they would become embroiled in the conflict.

In discussing the proposal to send help to Bosnia, senior British officials said it was now up to the UN High Commissioner for Refugees to decide whether the British troops, roughly a battalion, were

If they are, British officials said, the troops will be under UN command and will wear the blue helmets of UN peacekeeping forces. They would not be there, as one senior British official said Tuesday, "to fight their way to Armageddon

Mr. Major described their intended role as providing "light mil-itary assistance" to relief convoys delivering aid to people "who might not live through this winter unless they are fed, unless they

He said the British and their allies had rejected an alternative to force open relief corridors, a plan 300,000 troops and would result in

a "massive amount of fighting, a massive amount of loss of life." The decision to offer British troops came hours after a Royal Air Force cargo plane, on a relief mission to Bosnia, was threatened by gunners as it took off from the rajevo airport. As a result, the United Nations suspended flights

into the airport for the day. France has already contributed 2,700 troops to the peacekeeping force in the Balkans, and has said it is willing to send more to protect the aid shipments, although it has not said how many.

Last week, the French foreign minister, Roland Dumas, criticized France's partners in Europe, saying they were slow to come forward with offers of military participation in the light of a UN resolution authorizing force to protect hu-

manitarian convoys. The British decision comes a week before the scheduled convening in London of a peace conference that will bring together the Yugoslav factions as well as the five permanent members of the UN Security Council and the members of the European Community.

■ 2d Refugee Convoy Leaves About 1,000 women and children were evacuated from Sarajevo

on Tuesday in the second convoy to leave under an agreement between the warring factions, news agencies reported

A convoy carrying the women and children left for Belgrade, the Serbian and Yugoslav capital.

Serbian officials of Bosnia in Pale, the Serbian forces' headquar-ters 20 kilometers (12 miles) east of Sarajevo, said the 17-bus convoy had arrived in Pale safety. It had been guaranteed safe passage by the Serb militias and was unlikely to encounter trouble on Serb-held territory. It was scheduled to arrive

in Belgrade on Tuesday night. In the incident involving the relief plane at the Sarajevo airport, radar from unidentified forces locked onto a British Hercules C-130 aid plane as it was taking off, UN officials and the British Defense Ministry said.

Locking on with radar is a possi-ble prelude to firing, but there was no confirmation that the plane was

"The plane fired flares and chaff to evade fire but was 'locked onto' again," a UN source said. "As it was maneuvering the crew think they were fired upon by 20mm anti-aircraft cannon The British plane had delivered

relief supplies to Sarajevo and was taking off for Zagreb in Croatia when it was targeted. "I think we know who did it," a UN official said. "But the incident will probably be put down to some

bloody warlord rather than laid at the feet of the guilty party." The incident occurred less than a week after a UN Security Council resolution allowing the use of force to get supplies to trapped civilians.
(AP, Reuters)



MORE THAN A MATCH — Boris Yeltsin resting after tennis at his Black Sea vacation villa.

Croats Send Bosnian Men Back to Fight

By Stephen Engelberg

New York Times Service KARLOVAC, Croatia - The Croatian police have begun rounding up male Bosnian refugees — some only recently released from Serb-run detention centers - and sending them back to Bosnia-Herzegovina for military duty.

Mate Granic, vice president of Croatia, acknowledged Tuesday that the sweeps violated the international rights of those involved. But he said they were necessary to bead off a social explosion in Croatia, which still has tens of thousands of young men on active duty

in the army. Mr. Granic said that 2,000 of the 50,000 male Bosnian refugees in Croatia had been returned so far, and he said that his government had suspended the practice "for the

aged 18 to 60, who are being taken back to Bosnia were picked up at 3:30 A.M. Monday morning at the temporary refugee center in the sports hall of this city, about 50 kilometers (30 miles) south of Za-

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tresses. Lice are rampant, they say

Witnesses said Tuesday that the olice arrived abruptly, turned the lights on in the gymnasium and used truncheons to prod nearly every one of the men into six buses. leaving behind their wives and chil-

■ CIA Finds No 'Genocide' David Binder of The New York Times reported from Washington: Almost two weeks after President George Bush ordered the Central Intelligence Agency to deter-mine whether genocide had occurred in detention camps run by Serbs in Bosnia, U.S. officials say

they found no proof of the allega-Intelligence officials, noting that Mr. Bush had renewed the order to the CIA that he announced on Aug. 6, said Toesday that they had "re-doubled and tripled" their efforts to establish what had been happen-

Serbs since April. The officials said they had reached roughly the same concinsions as European observers, United Nations representatives and curred in some of the camps but neva on Yugoslav refugees. that there was no evidence of sys-

more than a month on filthy mat- Bush ordered the CIA to provide a A State Department spokesman report on human rights abuses in said Aug. 3 that the administration former federal Yugoslavia.

The agency responded that conditions in the newly independent that "Serbian forces are maintainrepublic of Bosnia were "terrible all ing what they call detention centers over." But the review did not speci-for Croatians and Muslims," and fy any detention camps in which that "there have been abuses and systematic abuses might have taken torture and killings taking place in place, an intelligence official said.

In June, the State Department Serbian practice of "ethnic cleans. Ang. 5, and then President Bush on ing" - driving Muslims and Aug. 6, stated that the United Croats out of communities in which families had lived for decades, even centuries.

in Belgrade and Zagreb cabled re- cables about the Yugoslav conflict ports of rumors and their own suppositions that detention camps might have been established in which immates were tortured and

rumors, a State Department offi-

ing in detention camps for Croats and Muslims in areas seized by According to senior officials, the first independent, official report journalists reporting from Bosnia: R. Bolton by a Bosnian official on President Bush, had not mental that killing and torture had oc- July 29 at a UN conference in Ge- concentration camps either.

had received "our own reports, information similar to press reports,' for Crostians and Muslims," and those areas."

families of Russian military perbegan publicly condemning the State Department on Aug. 4 and sonnel were evacuated from Sukhumi over the weekend States was unable to confirm these

An official who has access to American diplomatic personnel intelligence reports and diplomatic

"I found nothing confirmed. There were comments in cables over the last five or six weeks saying we have to be concerned that But the diplomats were unable to there might well be camps, but no authenticate their suspicions or the confirmed reports. There were rumors of camps for refugees. The embassy in Belgrade did not have any hard information."

The official said that until now that torture and killings had oc-curred in specific detention centers summary from the intelligence run by Serbian forces was handed community circulated among top Serbian forces was handed community circulated among top stant Secretary of State John government officials, including President Bush, had not mentioned

From the time combat began be-

At that point the Bush administration began more closely examining what an official characterized fighting in Bosnia-Herzegovina Last May, as fighting intensified among Serbs, Croats and Muslims in Bosoia-Herzegovina, President tration camps. Tation organ more causely examinating in Bosoia-Herzegovina in Bosoia-Herzegovina as "rumors and reports" of concentration camps.

Tuesday.

Among the foreigners were 2 Britons, 501 Bulgarians, 29 Hungarians, 116 Germans and 155 Mongolians.



opened now for examination. "Overall, the number of people

significantly higher than has been revealed to the media until now," the general said. tled in the Soviet Union in the years after the 1917 Bolshevik Rev-

who suffered from the purges is

But they were viewed with suspi-

General Krayushkin spoke after giving the Austrian Embassy a list of more than 200 Austrians who had been detained. The security ministry plans to set

up a reading room in Moscow to we people easy access to KGB files, the press agency said. American Held as Spy A U.S. citizen accused of spying

reported from Moscow. The American, identified only as close the country off from the a "Mr. Levitus," was arrested "as

Murmansk, The Associated Press

Golan GIs, Israelis Say

down as secretary of state. But the newspaper said Israel, pending reaction from Damasous, had decided not to bring up the proposal during the next round of Middle East peace talks, set to re-sume in Washington on Ang. 24. Israel captured the Golan Heights in the 1967 war.

Mr. Rabin's spokesman, Gad Sydney Ben-Ari, refused to confirm or Legand deny the report.

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2,000 Foreigners in Stalin's Camps

held in Siberian prison camps over the years of Stalin's dictatorship, the security ministry of Russia said

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The Soviet security police kept, year by year until Stalin's death in MOSCOW — More than 2,000 lists of foreign prisoners in their 1953.

foreigners from 31 countries were secret archives, which have been The Itar-Tass press agency said

Many foreign communists setolution, some to escape arrest at home and others hoping to take part in their dream of building has been detained by security po-lice in the northern Russian city of

cion as Moscow's leaders began to

world at the end of the 1920s. After he received disks containing classithat, many foreigners were strand-fied information on research in the ed in a country gripped by growing Arctic Ocean," Itar-Tass said, cit-fear and paranoia. This worsened ing "well-informed sources,"

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never stood taller in the eyes of the world."

the next 10 weeks, one of the most acidic voices in American politics

would be pouring his scorn on the other guys — not only on Mr. Clinton, but on Hillary Clinton. For a self-described "conservative of the heart" who sees social issues as the core and economics as just

so many numbers floating around the periphery, the targets were

"The agenda Clinton & Clinton would impose on America — abortion on demand, a litmus test for the Supreme Court, homosex-

ual rights, discrimination against religious schools, women in combat units — that's change, all right," Mr. Buchanan said.
"But it is not the kind of change America needs," he said. "It is not the kind of change we can abide in a nation we still call God's

Signs Point to Some Haziness About Quayle

HOUSTON —The case of the incredible shrinking vice president: One of the more subtle slights is the official Bush-Quayle conven-

In 1988, the ticket's official posters, placards and buttons featured

the names of both halves of the ticket in stark relief, white letters on a

This time around, the president's name is still in vivid white, but the vice president's name has been changed to a reddish purple that tends to fade out of view against the purplish-blue background,

Vice President Dan Quayle is not without his boosters, however. A

group called Accuracy in Academia has distributed blue, green and

beige cards of talking points to encourage delegates to talk about what a "courageous, influential" and "impressive" leader the vice

Mr. Quayle's proposed virtues included his ability to compel "the

Environmental Protection Agency to redefine its definition of 'wet-lands' " and the fervor with which he "privately opposed the idea of

Convention's Remembrance of Things Past

HOUSTON — There they go again. The memories came back in a rush. Adolfo. Ivan Boesky. Greed.

Junk bonds. Ketchup as a vegetable. Designer freebies. The Evil Empire. Power hunches. Brown suits. Yellow ties. "Cats." Catnaps.

nostalgia swept the convention hall.

Quote-Unquote

With the return of Ronald and Nancy Reagan on Monday night,

So what, conventioneers were asked, do you miss most about the

"Ronald Reagan," said Bertie Dassler, an alternate delegate from

"Cigarettes," said Bruce Zanka, a former White House aide.
"Chopping wood and clearing brush," said Peggy Noonan, a
former Reagan speechwiiter.
"Ronald Reagan," said Bill Shepard, a Maryland delegate.

"Donald and Ivana Tromp, for making the rest of us look so good," said Ron Reagan, the former president's son. (NYT)

Ronald Reagan on the Democrats; "What they truly don't understand is the principle so eloquently stated by Abraham Lincoln: "You cannot strengthen the weak by weakening the strong. You cannot help the wage-camer by pulling down the wage-payer. You cannot help the poor by destroying the rich. You cannot help men permanently by doing for them what they could and should do for themselves."

• The strongest aftershock of the Landers-Big Bear earthquake sequence in more than a month, a magnitude 5.2 temblor, hit

Southern California, shaking a wide area but causing no reported

• In John Demianiuk's case, a federal appeals court in Onio ordered a special inquiry into the Justice Department investigation that led to his being stripped of his citizenship and sent to Israel to stand trial

• Armed with a new study that shows minority-owned businesses still

get a relatively small share of state contracts, New York state is

resurrecting a program that requires contractors to reserve a certain

proportion of state work for companies headed by women and

• The administration of Mayor David N. Dinkins of New York City

and the City Council have agreed to go ahead with construction of a \$550 million incinerator at the Brooklyn Navy Yard, while accelerating New York City's recycling program.

An affirmative action plan for Birmingham, Alabama, was upheld by a federal district judge after more than a decade of litigation. The plan includes numerical hiring goals that were attacked by the Reagan administration and by white city employees.

• In the retrial of a former Miami police officer accused in the 1989 deaths of two black men, a judge has urged that the case, which has already been shifted from Miami to Orlando to Tallahassee and back

A tropical depression strengthened into a storm designated Andrew, the first named system of the 1992 Atlantic lumicane season, but it was no immediate threat to land, Miami meteorologists said.

• Thirty white-tailed does will be rounded up this week at a Washing-

ton National Zoo research center to test a contraceptive vaccine that scientists hope may be used to control burgeoning suburban deer populations, so that controversial hunting can be avoided.

A pregnant woman who injected cocaine into a vein as she was

about to go into labor had not abused her baby, Connecticut's

to Orlando, be transferred yet again: back to Tallahassee.

mbers of minority groups, state officials said.

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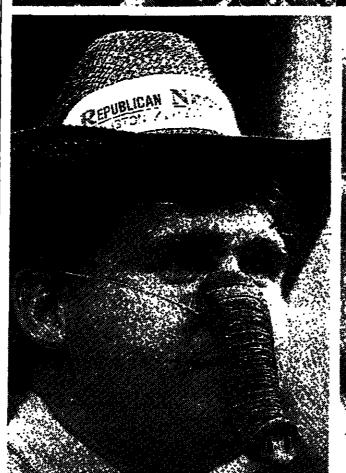
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highest court ruled in Hartford, even though the child was born several hours later severely transmatized, pale and deprived of oxy-



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1. David Alze/Agence Prance-Presse

A sea of supportive signs greeting President George Bush at the Republican convention's welcoming rally at the Astrodome. Glenn Stockton, a delegate from Fort Scott, Kansas, setting the mood for the president with a symbolic nose during the opening session.

Religious Right Rides High in Houston

By David Von Drehle

Washington Post Service
HOUSTON — Elvis is dead, not to mention the lead singer from the Platters, but Pat Boone still looks about 27 years old, still sings in a voice as soft and fluffy as an angora sweater, and remains among the rare men who can wear a cream-colored suit with a straight face.

Clearly, even if the people known in Republican circles as "the cultural clite" don't groove to

Mr. Boone, the guy is doing something right.

And you might say the same thing about his
fellow evangelical Christians on the religious
right. They looked pretty trim at their big "God and Country" rally, where they celebrated their considerable influence on the Republican platform. They looked especially good, considering that they were rumored to be as dead as white buck shoes back in 1988.

Well, this is a resurrection here today!" cried Pat Robertson, the television evangelist, broadcasting executive, past and maybe future presidential candidate. A huge roar rose from the huse crowd.

politicized by what seems to them an epidemic

They have taken this convention slightly by surprise with their robust appearance, mustering perhaps 300 of the more than 2,000 delegates, all of them full of the spirit and impas-sioned for the cause. The religious right was

(Continued from page 1)

burden per person in the country.

"Those are the facts. Now back to the show."

Mr. Bush's nomination to a second term was

expect any dramatic proposals.

"It'll be a good speech," Mr. Bush vowed

From the convention podium and in televi-sion interviews, administration officials and campaign aides attacked Mr. Clinton on every-

thing from his economic program to social

issues to his gubernatorial record on the envi-

Convention speakers dusted off two hugely successful themes from their campaign against

the 1988 Democratic nominee, Governor Mi-

ronment and crime.

When their influence waned in the last election, some thought they had passed on.

Instead, on this year's platform committee, conservative Christians — as Mr. Robertson likes to call them — hammered hard for uncoming anti-abortion language, and they

Nor did they stop there. They inserted references to God and America's "Judeo Christian" heritage into the platform. They policed the text for phrases that might smack of what they call "secular humanism," squinting, for example, at a reference to "humanitarian aid." They assured that any scriptural references in the platform came from the authorized, or King James, version of the Bible.

And people suddenly started talking about how the religious right might be the tail wag-ging the dog here. Their big rally overflowed from a ballroom, and Ralph Reed Jr., executive director of the Christian Coalition, was crowing from the stage:

"We are here to celebrate a victory. Within the past hour, the Republican Party passed a pro-life, pro-family platform! The feminists threw everything they had at us! We won and they lost!"

It cannot be denied that there are Americans

some distress. The evangelicals have a reputation in certain parts for being small-minded or oppressive or even loopy. This they ascribe to the "liberal media," the mere mention of which brought hisses during the God and Country

"I think the media are actually good people, people who want to do good, but they go at it from the human perspective, not God's," said Sylvia Hellman, a Christian Coalition member from Dallas.

"Our values derive from the Scriptures and from Judeo-Christian values 2,000 years old," said Ed Tarpley, a delegate from Colfax, Loui-

siana. "Our values are not governed by the changing events of the world." When they are out of step, it only confirms their belief that the world is a cursed place in need of redemption; being out of step is the divine condition Pope John Paul II calls "a sign of contradiction." And when they are excoriated or ridicaled, they are consoled by the Bible verse that says "blessed are you when men

revile you. A political force that demands neither frequent victory nor widespread popularity is a force that doesn't easily wither. Scripture says, and this convention now knows, you don't seek the living among the dead.

BUSH: With Assaults, President and Convention Get Off to a Feisty Start

chael S. Dukakis of Massachusetts: pollution in
Boston Harbor and Willie Horton, a Massachusetts convict who raped a woman while on a market by sarcasu to-1990. George Bush signed the second-biggest tax increase in American history. Under Bill Clinton, Arkansas has the second-lowest tax setts convict who raped a woman while on a

"After it rains the water in Northwest Arkansas has more fecal bacteria than Boston Harbor's," said Michael Deland, the chairman of set for Wednesday night, and his acceptance speech for Thursday. Conservatives pressed for a presidential call for sweeping tax cuts, but administration officials spread the word not to the Council on Environmental Quality. "Under Slick Willie's watch, Arkansas ranked 47th out of the 50 states in avoiding oil spills," he said, referring to Governor Clinton. "It ranks 43d out of 50 in terms of avoiding the release of nerve-damaging toxins into the environment."

■ A Combative Speech From Bush Dan Bal: of The Washington Post reported

ward his opponents and bravado about Republican prospects, stole the show on the opening day of a convention designed to revive and redefine the president's campaign and tear into Mr. Clinton and the Democrats. The speech showed an enthusiastic candidate finally throwing off any pretense of Oval Office

decorum. He was more animated and biting than he has been all year and promised his supporters that he would not let up on the Democrats for the duration of the campaign.

"For the next 78 days," he said, "we're going to go out there to ask the American people a

simple question: Who do you trust to do what's right for the United States of America?" Mr. Bush's pugnacious speech helped pro-vide the tonic that Republicans have been seek-

In a combative speech at a welcoming rally ing from the president, who had said for weeks on Monday, Mr. Bush set the tone for the that he would not become fully engaged in his convention, attacking Mr. Clinton and promis- re-election campaign until this week

Clinton and Strategists See Both Risk and Gain O In Republican Ferocity

By David Maraniss Washington Post Service

LITTLE ROCK, Arkansas — Bill Clinton and his strategists, monitoring the Republican Na-tional Convention in Houston from their perch in Arkansas, expressed conflicting sentiments about the Republicans' blistering attacks on the Democratic presidential nomi-ace and his wife, Hillary.

Clinton campaign officials main-tained that some of the rhetoric, especially from Patrick J. Buchanan, Mr. Bush's erstwhile primary opponent now turned general-election attack dog seemed so strident that it might frighten undecided

On the other hand, strategists here said they expected the four days of Clinton-pounding to have a marked effect in the polls, peranged your sense of smell. The question is whether the Republicans can deliver a punch this week with that kind of impact where it changes the whole smell and feel of the campaign. So far it kind of smells the same."

Mr. Clinton, who has spehaps cutting the Democrat's lead by 10 or 15 points by the time the convention concludes Thursday.

"There's no doubt they're going to cut the lead," one said. "But it's like someone said of a Mike Tyson punch, that it landed so hard it chat the last two days dealing with Arkansas state budget problems, said he had not watched any of the read reports from his staff and por-show."

tions of the most critical speeches. He said Mr. Buchanan's Monday night speech was "just amaz-

ing."
Mr. Buchanan portrayed Mrs.
Clinton as the ideological leader of
a "Clinton-Clinton" administration that would push a radical feminist agenda.
"Pat Buchanan in his life has

never done as much as Hillary to strengthen families and children," Mr. Clinton said. "The very idea that he would be up there attacking her shows you how impoverished they are for ideas, how out of touch they are, how irrelevant a lot of what they're doing is. But it's what they know how to do - divide and use those wedges to personally at-

A Clinton aide, George Stephanopoulos, characterized the opening 36 hours of the Republican convention as "It's yesterday in America," a satirical reconfiguration of former President Ronald Reagan's 1984 theme, "It's Morning in

The Clinton camp also unveiled 15-second television commercials that began running in two markets
- Houston and Washington - 4s counterpoints to the Republican convention rhetoric. One spot goes:

"More facts. Under George Bush, America has had no growth in private sector jobs . . . and wages have fallen. This year under Bill Clinton, Arkansas leads the nation in job growth . . . and incomes have he had not watched any of the grown at twice the national rate. convention on television but had Those are the facts. Back to the

Republicans Hire Old Pros To Toughen Media Attacks

The Associated Press

HOUSTON - In a further sign that the Bush campaign intends to play hard-nosed politics with Bill Clinton, the veteran Republican media adviser, Roger Ailes, has been lured from retirement to toughen communication and advertising, campaign officials said

campaign director in 1984 and his tioned."

chief political assistant from 1985

One campaign adviser said the moves were part of a "leaner, meaner campaign shake-up" initi-ated by the incoming White Honse chief of staff, James A. Baker 3d, "They want some more political.

Also joining the Bush-Quayle communications," the adviser said campaign will be Mitchell E. Dan"The communication guys don't iels Jr., a soft-spoken strategist who have a lot of experience in the politwas President Ronald Reagan's ical area despite being well-inten-

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Good Wife/Bad Wife: Marilyn Quayle as Hillary Clinton's Foil Mrs. Quayle rejects the notion that, Blading and making Halloween costumes when it comes to Hillary Chinton, there is as she did to practicing law or managing

By Alessandra Stanley New York Times Service

HOUSTON-In the Republican Party, Marilyo Quayle is seen as having one special gift; she is the Un-Hillary.

At a time when Republicans have por-trayed Governor Bill Clinton's wife, Hillary, as a radical feminist in demore Talbot's clothing, Mrs. Quayle is making a virtue of something she used to describe with occasional bitterness — having given up her

own legal career.

It is that sacrifice that has catapulted Mrs. Quayle into the spotlight at the convention on Wednesday, the night set aside to celebrate family values. In a star billing Lawyers Association in Houston, Mrs. vention on Wednesday, the night set aside to celebrate family values. In a star billing that is unprecedented for wives of vice

Mrs. Clinton,

cerie foreshadowing of what has happened at 7 P.M."

to Mrs. Chinton, Bush aides tried to keep

Mrs. On the fiercely intelligent and outspoken Mrs. Quayle in the background.

In this campaign, her flintiness is more in favor. Even Mrs. Bush has begun cati-

Ouayle urged her andience to "grab back that ABA." Among the American Bar Asing muzzled, she is being showcased."

tion of wives who stayed home, so Manilyn
Quayle, a lawyer and baby boomer, will

Marguerite Sullivan, Mrs. Quayle's chief
of staff, was asked to draw distinctions serve as the campaign's generational foil to between her boss and Mrs. Clinton. "Marilyn Quayle is absolutely committed to her It is a marked departure from Mrs. family," she replied. "She makes time for Quayle's treatment in 1988, when, in an the children; she's always home for dinner

> Mrs. Quayle's sister, Nancy T. Northcott, who co-wrote their liberal-bashing spy thriller, "Embrace the Serpent," sums up Mrs. Quayle and Mrs. Clinton: "Philosophically they are opposites. And Marilyn chose to stay home with her children."

> Sheila Tate, a former White House press secretary for George Bush who is advis convention planners, put it this way: "The difference is that Marilyn Quayle isn't be

ton is," she told reporters for Newsweek.

ry committee that she heads.

any common ground. She dismissed the her husband's earliest campaigns. "She cuts her own hair," said her close

suggestion that Mrs. Clinton is experiencing the same kind of criticism that so net-tled Mrs. Quayle during the 1988 campaign and beyond. "Nobody has complained about how active an adviser Hillary Clin-night visits to a mutual friend who later died of cancer.

Like Mrs. Clinton, Mrs. Quayle is surrounded by close female friends who speak glowingly of her humor and compassion, her extraordinary dedication to such strategists, including Secretary of State causes as promoting early detection of breast cancer and her tireless efforts on behalf of the intercontinual disputer advisor. behalf of the international disaster adviso- 1988. Even after 12 years in the clubby atmosphere of political Washington, Mrs. that ABA." Among the American Bar Aspects the same night that Barbara Bush is speech the same night that Barbara Bush is speech the same night that Barbara Bush is sociation's failings, she said, was that it had to speak.

Mrs. Bush is an icon of an older genera
that ABA." Among the American Bar Aspects however, did supermom—a woman who brought the given "honor to Hillary Clinton and Anita interview.

Among her intimates, she is revered as a supermom—a woman who brought the same high-intensity discipline to coaching and Democratic dupes of communism who interview.

Finally, Help for Somalia

High marks to President George Bush. and to whoever nudged his pen, for ordering the Pentagon to airlift food to millions

of starving people in Somalia. What one U.S. aid official calls "the world's worst humanitarian disaster" has been caused by devastating drought and a senseless clan war that forced 2 million farmers from the land. Besides the airlift, Washington will fly in 500 armed United Nations guards and seek a Security Council resolution authorizing "additional measures" to assure arrival of humanitarian relief. The Bush administration should

have done this months ago. Distribution has been the main problem in getting food aid to the Somali interior and to the capital, Mogadishu, the scene of savage street warfare. Human rights groups charge that the United States was dragging its feet, fearful of an electionyear quagmire in the Horn of Africa. The administration says it has long been ready

to move but was waiting for the United Nations to take the lead

Whatever the case, argently needed aid is now en route, and Somalia's capricious warlords will have to contend with UN guards and the U.S. Air Force, Nobody pretends to have pat solutions for the chaos that followed the ouster in 1991 of Somalia's longtime dictator, Mohammed Siad Barre. But to say that nothing could be done, that Somalia was too messy and remote, would have been a shameful, unthinkable abdication.

The new measures should sober belligerents and begin to comfort the afflicted. After similar humanitarian missions in Kurdish Iraq and Bangladesh, the U.S. armed forces will gain precious experience in what may be an increasingly needful role. Even in this political season, President Bush deserves bipartisan applause for his Somalia mission.

-THE NEW YORK TIMES.

Back Iraq's Opposition

A year ago, George Bush had reason to hope that his leadership of the coalition victory over Iraq would cement his re-election, if not a place in history. But that was before the American people learned how his administration, meaning to moderate Saddam Hussein, had built him up for his attack on Kuwait. It was also before Saddam Hussein showed that he could survive the coalition's worst, maintain some sort of future weapons capability, repress internal challengers and defy international ceasefire terms. There is no confirmation that, as a New York Times news story asserted, Mr. Bush planned to provoke a confrontation with Baghdad over weapons inspection this week to aid his campaign; the inspection produced no showdown. But there is plenti-ful evidence that the Iraq issue is going to

plague Mr. Bush all the way to November. If Mr. Bush now just goes with the flow in Iraq, he will be open to criticism first for negligently aiding and then for tolerating a tyrant's misrule, for condoning the eventual strategic revival of Saddam Hussein and meanwhile his domination over subject peoples, for being "prudent" to a fault. But the likeliest military steps, if Mr. Bush takes them, will still leave Saddam Hussein in

power and will consign Mr. Bush to endless nagging questions about whether he acted simply to play to the political gallery. Either way his burden gets heavier.

The odd thing is that at the moment the keenest pressure on President Bush is coming not from Saddam Hussein but from American policy critics. Some speak for a crucial source of his political support, the Republican right. Sensing their man's vulnerability, they arge him to go beyond his until now failed policy of inviting a coup from within the Sunni elite, and to expand support for insurgent and avowedly democratic Kurds in the north and Shiites in the south. A not unreasonable reluctance to get drawn too deeply into exceedingly shifty local and regional terrain has held the administration back so far.

Election or no election, it is time not for a flop but for a careful shift in American policy to strengthen support for the insurgent groups. This could meet the greater menace that Saddam Hussein poses to them now. No course can hope to work, however, if President Bush does not lay it out clearly before doubting regional partners and skeptical Americans alike.

- THE WASHINGTON POST.

Republicans Need Change

The platform that the Republican convention adopted on Monday in Houston rings with partisan passion, but as a docu-ment to promote President George Bush's campaign for re-election it lands with a disappointing thud.

Americans everywhere are grumbling over economic stagnation and long for new ideas. This platform supplies a ritualistic roster of old ones —dogma that is not only tired but also discredited. By comparison, the 1992 Democratic program floats, lighter than air, on some utopian assumptions about growth. But at least it is a program. Just how much the public wants action is

dramatically documented in the latest New York Times/CBS News Poll, Does the country need real change? An astounding Would electing Bill Clinton bring about real change? Fully 63 percent answered yes. Would re-electing Mr. Bush bring about real change? A mere 15 percent said yes. So what bold ideas does the platform advance? None. The Republicans proclaim their enduring devotion to a balanced budget amendment. They call for reneging on the 1990 congressional budget agreement to hold down the deficit. They embrace deregulation so eagerly that they almost claim credit for Jimmy Carter's monumental oil and gas deregulation. And they embrace supplyside economics with a zeal that crases the

memory of the huge Reagan-Bush deficits. Underlying all the Republican platform's hurt the economy, and that private invest-ment is productive while public spending is inherently wasteful.

The Republicans surely have a strong argument that the proposals for public investments advocated by the Democrats could easily turn into exphemisms for old-fash-ioned pork if President Bush were not on hand with vigilant vetoes. But the Republicans drive their argument out the window. The test for investment is not whether it

is private or public but whether it is productive. In truth, studies show that public investments, wisely selected, make substantial contributions to economic growth. Public investments in highways, fiber-optic telecommunications and training for disadvantaged workers can boost productivity more than equal amounts of private investment. The platform takes the cramped view that taxpayers see no benefit in helping educate other people's children; but most Americans are not that shortsighted.

The platform writers have not seen a tax cut they don't like, a tax increase they don't despise. Mr. Clinton's proposed increase in payroll taxes to finance worker training is automatically wrong; yet tax giveaways to upper-income families or real estate investors are presumed to promote productivity. The platform rehearses the party's greatest hits. That may placate conservatives. But it will do little, in this financially fearful time, to address most Americans' fears.

- THE NEW YORK TIMES.

Other Comment

A Big Step for North America

economic proposals are two convictions:

The North American Free Trade Agreement announced last week is Mexico's green card for entry into the modern, free market economy that brings prosperity to her American and Canadian neighbors to the north. It holds out the promise of releas-ing Mexico from Third World poverty and freeing its vast human and material resources for the development of the largest, richest trading bloc ever.

Viewed in this light, it is perhaps the most important security pact any U.S. administration has negotiated since the North At-lantic Treaty Organization was formed to deal with the Soviet threat. There are no Mexican missiles aimed at the United States. But there are millions of Mexicans in an exploding population who in future years will either have the means to live in their native land or migrate northward Mexican stability is manifestly in the longrange interest of all of North America. - The Balltmore Sun.

Message of a Rugby Match

The All Blacks carved a place in history on Saturday as the first New Zealand side to win a rugby test series on South African

turf. Apart from symbolically ending South Africa's decade of isolation in rugby, this game had heavy political messages for the South Africans as well as bringing them top competition in the game they love the most. They were able to watch such competition in the Afrikaner heartland solely because of the dramatic reforms their government had made in removing apartheid and moving toward a fairer political structure. Without this, the message is clear, the door would slam again and South Africa would face

In New Zealand's case the message was twice as dramatic. Half the team that beat the Springboks were New Zealand Maoris or Samoans. From the moment of the prematch haka they demonstrated how well a multiracial team can play together. The message which even the most obtuse Afrikaner should get from this is that if people of all races can play rugby together they certainly can live and work together. It is essential for South Africa to succeed with its reforms, painful though the process is and hampered though it may be from extremists of the right and the left. South Africa needs to succeed so its locomotive economy can help pull the whole African continent out of the most dreadful economic mess.

further ostracism and more sanctions.

- The Dominion (Wellington).

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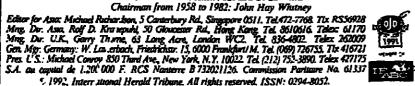
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A New Focus on Saddam

By Jim Hoagland

WASHINGTON — U.S. war plans for a W strike against Saddam Hussein now center on the Iraqi dictator's escalating campaign of terror against the Shiites in southern Iraq—not on United Nations inspections of government ministries in Baghdad. The media spotlight that swept Baghdad this past weekend focused attention on the right church but the wrong pew.

The spotlight was switched on by a New

York Times account that predicted a confrontation on Monday over a UN demand to inspect the Ministry of Military Industrialization in Baghdad. The story had a basis in fact, but it reported a decision on U.S. military reprisals that had been changed before the account appeared.
Plans to have U.S., British and French

warplanes strike inside Baghdad immediately if the Iraqis refused a new inspection were

Under the twin pressures of Saddam's intransigence and the U.S. election campaign, Bush is reversing the failed policies he has pursued since the end of Desert Storm.

altered as a result of a continuing debate at senior levels of the Bush administration. At issue is the degree of provocation by Saddam needed to justify new coalition air attacks. In a sense, these are details that one of America's great newspapers happened to mishandle in a way that had Potus — the president of the United States, in White House jargon - chewing the carpet. Such misunderstandings between the press and presidents are familiar in Washington in election years in which U.S. troops are engaged abroad. A president's motives for ordering Americans into combat inevitably come under intense scrutiny.

The New York Times account went too far in suggesting that George Bush was planning a military strike purely for political gain. But Mr. Bush bears some responsibility for this imbroglio as well. Here is why I think this.

agreement in principle on new military action against Saddam two weeks ago, as reported in this column. Washington, London and Paris are determined not to permit a repetition of the humiliating standoff that occurred when Iraq refused in July to allow United Nations

would be controversial came from Turkey, coalition aircraft would not be allowed to use Turkish airfields for such missions.

The military implications of Turkey's move were slight. The United States can mount at-

America, Britain and France reached

inspectors access to the Ministry of Agricul-ture in Baghdad for nearly three weeks. But the final go-ahead for air raids on Baghdad was withheld when misgivings sur-

faced in the coalition and within the administration over the probable international reaction to bombing Iraqi ministries. Saddam could manipulate the timing and form of such confrontations, which might involve heavy civilian casualties.

"Not everyone was convinced of the wisdom of bombing ministries that we were say-ing had to be inspected and searched for documents or materiel that our bombs would have destroyed," says one administration official. "There was a feeling after a great deal of discussion that to be persuasive our focus had to be broader than bombing ministries, particularly since the urgent cause for concern right now is Saddam's growing brutality against the Shiftes in the south." A clear sign that attacks on Iraqi ministries

which suddenly announced this month that

tacks on Baghdad from aircraft carriers, and the coalition air force can operate from Saudi fields. But Ankara's cold feet had significant political impact in coalition capitals.

In characteristic overreaching, Saddam has chosen this moment to intensify his war against

Confidence of

the Shiites. Iraci aircraft flew nearly 100 sorties one day last week in a dramatic increase of activity that has included bombing and strafing runs against unarmed Shiites, according to U.S. intelligence reports. American officials now believe Iraci opposition accounts that say Saddam's forces are systematically poisoning

water sources in the Shiite marshlands.

The plight of the Shiites and Iraq's refusal to renew a memorandum of understanding to permit United Nations relief workers access to Iraqi civilians are the make-or-break issues of negotiations that were begun in Baghdad on Monday by Jan Eliasson, head of the UN emergency aid program. U.S. officials see Mr. Eliasson's mission as

decisive in determining whether force will again be used on Saddam. The New York

in Russia, where for 70 years the CPSU had monopolized the histori-cal sources as well as the writing of

history, what is obvious to Western

charged with tension. Outside the

court room, behind barriers set up by

the militia, crowds of Communist sympathizers demanded to be al-lowed in. They clearly wanted to dis-rupt the proceedings. I could not help thinking that only a year earlier, the

roles would have been reversed: the

militia would have kept behind barri-

ers, if not behind bars, the very per-

sons they were now protecting.

Inside the court, one Communist

representative threatened a new

by the Chief Justice Valeri Zorkin

and barred from further testimony.

When a judge announced my name as a court-appointed witness, a Com-munist deputy sprung to his feet to protest a foreigner's being called to testify at a Russian constitutional tri-

al. To this, Justice Zorkin replied that

coup, for which he was reprimanded

The trial opened in an atmosphere

sts can come as a revelation.

Times was premature, and looking the wrong way, in its reporting on an August Surprise. But under the twin pressures of Saddam's intransigence and the U.S. election campaign, Mr. Bush is reversing the failed policies he has pursued since the end of Operation Desert Storm such as lectica Saddam's account. Storm, such as letting Saddam's air force take to the air against the Shittes in the first place. The president's repeated failure to keep

direct military pressure on Saddam in the past 16 months makes it impossible today to unravel Mr. Bush's political fortunes from the messy and still dangerous situation in Iraq. He failed to draw clear and hard lines when he had a chance to do so. Now he must also carry responsibility for the impression that he is playing politics with Iraq.

The Washington Post.

Russia's Constitutional Trial: A Final Hearing on Lawlessness

I was in Moscow when the trial

opened, doing research in the Central

By Richard Pipes

C AMBRIDGE, Massachusetts — On July 7, 1992, an unusual spectacle unfolded in the center of crats, stood up to them, it collapsed. Three days later, Mr. Yeltsin issued Moscow, off Staraia Ploshchad where until recently the all-powerful decree in which he accused the CPSU of direct involvement in the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union had coup attempt. Hearings followed. On Nov. 9, 1991, Mr. Yeltsin issued a had its headquarters. In a small room, 13 magistrates sat in judgment on both the democratically elected further decree asserting that the CPSU "was never a party" but "a special

Even if the Communists toppled the democratic government, they would be able neither to solve the basic problems that afflict the country nor frighten the population into total submission.

government of President Boris Yeltsin and its predecessor, the CPSU. The event had no precedent in Russian history, for Russia's governments always stood above the law. Watching the proceedings of the Constitutional Court, one had the sense of witnessing a dramatic break in the destiny of an ancient nation that had suffered more than most from the curse of lawlessness.

The antecedents of the trial back to the abortive putsch launched one year ago by a group of Commu-nist officials, military officers and functionaries of the security services. Its immediate purpose was to prevent the signing of the new federal constitution, which would have deprived them of much authority. Ultimately, it was intended to put an end to perestroika, which they felt had gone out of control. They organized their coup badly, and when Mr. Yeltsin, supported by a few thousand brave demo-

M OSCOW — Last Aug. 19, the telephone rang at 6.30 A.M. It was a friend calling from California

to tell us about a coup taking place

disbelief, I switched on the television.

An expressionless announcer was

telling us that Mikhail Gorbachev was ill and a state of emergency was

My husband and I stared at the

screen, petrified. Then, in the midst

of the announcer's litany, we sudden-ly heard the phrase, "for the further improvement of the welfare of Soviet people." We had heard this clicke

hundreds of times, but now we ex-changed terrified looks. It was a sig-

nal that lies, hypocrisy and suppres-sion were returning. In that moment,

we shared the agony of lost hope.

A year later, it seems inconceivable

that for decades, people all over Rus-

sia lived in terror, in constant fear of being arrested. My parents did, and

It may be argued whether Russia has in fact abandoned its Soviet past,

but the fear is gone. The Russian state

is no longer the ubiquitous monster

that terrorized its subjects, produced

double-think, lies and betrayals. The

country may be broke and politically unstable, but its people no longer hesi-

My first thought a year ago was of

my 7-year-old daughter, who was to start school in September. I won-

dered if she, like three generations

before her, would listen to the same

propaganda, if she would inherit the humiliating fear that could be traced

as far back as her great-grandparents.

I never met my paternal grandfa-ther. He was arrested on July 27, 1936,

taken away from his wife and 8-year-

old son, and disappeared. Only recent-

ly, when information was uncovered

about Stalin's victims secretly buried

in Moscow cemeteries, did we learn

the date of his death: March 8, 1937.

His wife (my grandmother) was

arrested a few months later for the

simple reason of being his wife and

sentenced to 10 years in a labor camp. After her arrest, her son (my

father) was kidnapped by the KGB

and held in a reformatory for young delinquents. He was 9 years old. It took his relatives more than a year to

tate to express their discontent.

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being introduced.

mechanism for the creation and realization of political power through fu-sion with state structures or their direct subordination" to itself.

The decree accused the CPSU not only of masterminding the putsch but also of continuing to undermine democratic institutions with the view to staging another coup d'état. The CPSU was ordered to cease all activity on Russian territory and to turn decree explicitly forbade prosecution of individual citizens for membership in the outlawed party.

Following this, 37 people's deputies representing the defunct CPSU petitioned the Constitutional Court to review the decrees for alleged violations of several articles of the republic's constitution. A group of anti-Communist deputies responded with a countersuit, charging the CPSU with being an un-constitutional organization. The two spits were tried concurrently.

A Year Later, We Live Without Fear

By Masha Lipman

trace him and get permission to bring him back to Moscow.

When my parents got married in 1949, the status of their parents was this; one father executed; the other

(my mother's father) sentenced to 25 years in the camps for befriending an

American correspondent; and a moth-

er forced to live in a small town 100

kilometers from Moscow because

freed political prisoners were not al-lowed to live in big cities. I was born a year before Stalin died in March 1953.

For people like my parents, the late 1950s and early '60s were a time of

faith and optimism. Stalin's evil was

revealed and condemned; surviving

prisoners were rehabilitated; the Iron

Yet, freedom came slowly, and Ni-

When I was in college, I took pride in bringing books to my parents. I pretended not to notice the anxious

kita Khrushchev's thaw was brief. Soon came the news of the first post-

look in their eyes. Was I being careful enough? they wanted to ask. Like my parents, I was full of anger and despair

at the 1968 invasion of Czechoslova-kia; when the state launched cam-

paigns against Andrei Sakharov and Alexander Sobhenitsyn. But we never

By 1980, most dissidents were in

camps, some were forced to emigrate

and anyone who dared an open pro-

test was assured of prompt arrest. Yet

the flow of books never ran dry, rath-

er, more and more books were amug-

abroad. The entrances to the com-

pounds where foreigners lived in Mos-

cow were guarded by militiamen. No Soviet was allowed inside, so the nan-

nies, like me, who worked for corre-

spondents and diplomats had to meet their Russian friends outside and ac-

company them past the guards. Ru-mor had it that the militianten took

your picture as you passed by.

I was aware that my KGB file must

have been growing.
When Mr. Gorbachev announced

perestroika in 1985, we knew better than to take a party slogan seriously.

There also were friends from

protested. We were afraid.

gled from abmad.

Curtain gradually opened.

Party Archive that Mr. Yeltsin's decrees had at long last made available to scholars. The Constitutional Court invited me to judge the premises un-derlying the decrees, in particular two key questions: "Can one regard the CPSU as a political party?" and "Has the CPSU committed some violations of the Constitution, of laws and norms of international law, which give grounds for regarding it as an unconstitutional organization?" I agreed to serve as expert witness

on a subject to which I have devoted years of study. I did not take seriously warnings by some friends that this carried physical risks: It came some-thing of a shock, therefore, to learn a few days later that Sergei Shakhrai, Mr. Yeltsin's principal spokesman in the court, was nearly killed in a road accident that had all the earmarks of an assassination attempt. Because of schedule conflicts, I re-

corded my views in a written deposi-tion, confirming as historically sound the premises of the presidential deating methods of the CPSU: The Bolsheviks from the day of their October 1917 coup d'état acted not as a party but as a state-within-the state, banning every rival political organization and taking all decisions affecting the govemment within the narrow confines of the Bolshevik Central Committee and its Politburo. Since disbanding the Constituent Assembly in January 1918, they behaved in an indisputably unconstitutional manner.

Nothing that I wrote was new, But

But then a stuming story appeared in a Moscow paper in the fall of 1986. It was about a few disappointed Jewish émigré families who had returned to the U.S.S.R. Until then, if émigrés were mentioned at all in newspapers, they were referred to as "traitors."

This article, though, was a thunder-boit. It told the stories of several Jew-ish families without labeling them good or bad. Friends called each other

to ask, "Have you read it? Can you

believe it?" There was a wave of such

stories. Literary magazines began to publish formerly banned books. Mr. Sakharov was brought back from ex-

ile, political prisoners were released. The first free elections came in 1989,

and after that, "politics" no longer meant anti-Soviet activity. Politics went on in the Palace of Congresses,

where newly elected legislators were engaged in figure verbal battles. The newborn democrats became a

real political force; and, to the alarm of hard-liners, Bons Yeltsin was elect-

ed president of Russia in June 1991. After that, the bard-liners began to

consolidate for one last blow. Two

A year ago, after the first terror and confusion, my insband and I went into the streets. I questioned myself and my nation: Would the

inbred Soviet fear dominate, or

would our new freedom gain ground

A few hours later, standing in front

of the "White House," I saw crowds

running to defend their president, the

democratic Russian government,

their dignity. They were fearless, ready to fight back.

By evening, the defenders of the "White House" were busily building

barricades. They did not waver when

news came that the building would be

stormed. Thousands stayed on guard,

and three young men lost their lives.

The coup failed three days after it was

launched. We had won, and I thought

of my daughter. She is the first child in

four generation not to be indoctrinated. She is the first not to wear a baby-

Lemin pin on her chest. She is the first

The writer is a translator and re-

searcher in the Moscow bureau of The

to grow up without fear.

Washington Post.

in the hearts of my countrymen?

months later, they launched a coup.

the court was free to choose as its expert anyone it thought fit. The proceedings had about them hammer and sickle hanging in the rear of the courtroom side by side with the Russian tricolor flag Nine of the 13 judges are said to have belonged to the Communist Party. It is not clear how the CPSU can be

prosecuted under a constitution of its own making (and still in force). The public, which has never known legal standards to be applied to its government, is receptive to arguments of Communists that the proceedings are a version of the Nuremberg trial and that the CPSU is tried not for having done anything wrong but for its hav-ing lost out in the struggle for power. But whatever the verdict on the Communist Party, the constitutional trial now in progress (it adjourned at the beginning of August for one month), is of great historic signifi-

cance, for two reasons. Russia never went through a feudal period, in the true sense of that word, and is unfamiliar with the precept that lord and vassal are equally subject to contractual obligations — that is, to legal norms, a precept later extended in Western democracies to relations between government and citizens. Not only czarist governments but even czarist officials enjoyed exemption from legal culpability.

Leain defined the "dictatorship of the profession" as earth control of

the proletariat" as authority unconstrained by law, and he constructed on this principle a pseudo-judiciary system that Stalin inherited and perfected. In the entire history of Russia and especially during the Communist reign, lawiessness was not simply a fact of life in the relationship be tween state and citizenry but an institutionalized principle, the quintes-sence of the system.

breached. No matter what the out-come of the trial, the principle has been established — and this as a result of a suit initiated by the Communists themselves - that government, like a private citizen, is subject to law. It is the first step on the road to civil society and the creation of a constitutional framework without which no progress, least of all economic progress, is possible.
Second, the proceedings are likely
to provide Russians with an unfor-

This tradition is now being

gettable lesson in their own history. Presidential experts, gathering evi-dence for the trial, have been allowed into the most closely guarded archival repositories of the CPSU and its agencies, including the KGB. Much seems to have been destroyed, but dozens of volumes have been comniled to serve as evidence of the party's criminal activity. When the trial resumes and the

spokesmen for the president have the floor, they will learn the full dimensions of the barbarities that had been committed to no other purpose than to keep the Communists in power. The KGB aiready has been forced to 828,000 persons for so-called antistate crimes, a figure that represents only a fraction of the millions who lost their lives without being formally sentenced to death as a result of police-inflicted and police-supervised

beatings and malnutrition.

As the presidential party unfolds its case, the majority of the citizens will, for the first time, have the opportunity to learn what their parents and grandparents lived through and what censorship and fear had concealed from them. This is likely to have an enormous cathartic effect. Russia is in flux. The trauma of Communism, created in the majority of the population, especially among the better educated, a revulsion against the past. They are thoroughly rid of the old national arrogance and of the messianism that gave it politi-cal expression. They suffer under the weight of guilt and inferiority that the

advantage by denying they have any-thing to be ashamed of. But there is no return for the Communists. Even if they toppled the democratic government and reclaimed dictatorial authority, they would be able neither to solve the basic problems that afflict the country nor frighten the population into

on the road to a new Russia; the constitutional trial is its logical resolution. There is hope.

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IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1892: Out in the Cold

LONDON - Mr. Gladstone has distributed his offices with the usual result. Few have got the places they wanted or for which they deemed themselves best qualified. Many who counted on being "sent for" are left out in the cold. The new Labor party is as completely ignored as if this were a Tory Administration. The radical wing received the cold shoulder. Yet the Pall Mall Gazette tries to put a good face upon the matter, and has even persuaded itself that a "Socialistic Cabinet" has been formed.

1917: Tsar Is Removed

PETROGRAD - In the gray mist of morning, while the population was askeep, Nicholas Romanov and his family were removed from the Alexander Palace under the personal supervision of M. Kerensky, the Promier. On the platform before entering the train the man who recently reigned over Russia, and dishonored

Russia, bade farewell to the man who now practically rules Russia. The ex-Tsar looked calm but there were tears in the eyes of the grand duchesse. Like a funeral procession at daybreak the Romanov family passed out of the former scene of barbaric splendor and capricious power which steeped Russia in tears and blood.

1942: Labor Distraction SEATTLE - [From our New York

edition:] The Boeing Aircraft Company, maker of the flying fortress bomb er, plans to segregate women workers because the men are always looking at them, thus slowing production at them, thus slowing production.
"Women do rather well in war production, but they cause a distur-bance, said H. Oliver West, vicepresident of the company. "Many are. here for other than a serious purpose." Mr. West said that Boeing plans to segregate women in subassembly work, where women's dexterity is superior to man's, and where they will be free of "all but working interest."

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total submission.
The defense of Moscow's "White

House" last August was the first step

And Here in the Opposite Corner, Raring for a Fight . . .

HOUSTON — George Bush has got 'em right where he wants 'em. His plane is on fire, he's miles from the target, he's hurtling down with a ton of bombs strapped underneath ... and there's no one in the air or on the ground who thinks he can get out of this one, Perfect! This is Bush at his most dangerous, as Saddam Hussein and Bill Clinton may find out, at their peril. At the Republican convention in Houston, all the talk from those-in-the-know is about desperate political measures. Can James Baker, on his way back to the bridge, make the White House and campaign churn the water together? Can Ronald Reagan keep the ships on the right flank from deserting the battle? Can the United Na-tions inspectors or the U.S. Air Force push Saddam to a blunder that could give the president—
this week! just in time!—2 20-point bump out of
his convention, as Mr. Clinton got a month ago? People say Mr. Bush needs the speech of his life to cut through the hopeless confusion of his ad-

LESS than two years after victory in the Gulf War sent his popu-larity soaring, President Bush has returned to his adopted hometown

of Houston as one of the most un-

popular incumbent presidents to seek re-election in five decades.

chief executive since Franklin Roo-

sevelt, as measured by Gallup, sug-gest that Mr. Bush faces the great-est challenge of any modern-era

president intent on keeping his job.
An analysis of Washington PostABC News and Gallup Poll data

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Public attitudes toward every

By Richard Ben Cramer

rabbit from a hat, a miracle --- at least a genius speech writer. Baloney. They miss the point. There's only one fight the Republican Party and the Bushies have to win this week and that's the fight within the president's own breast.

Four years ago, the pundits and pollsters were all ready to write George Bush off. After all, the man was a wimp! He was 17 points down to Michael Dukalos. He had no positions of his own, no plan. The Bush campaign was about nothing. In Boston, Mr. Dukakis's brainy young savants were choosing up offices in the West Wing of the White House.

Then they froze as George Bush began to take their hero apart. In three weeks, the governor's lead was gone, but more important, so was the wimp. We know what happened — he won 40 states. But what did it take? Mr. Bush never did define

himself or present a plan for America. But he took nistration, to make up for his own addled lack one look at Mr. Dukakis and defined him as he of vision, to "define himself" anew. He needs a appeared through the Bush-eyes.

man saw his Gallup popularity plunge 55 points during a 15-month period immediately after World War II, but he was able to recover

to win re-election two years later.

The highest job disapproval rating of any incumbent president seeking re-election. As measured by perceptions of job performance, Mr. Bush is about as unpopular with the American people as Richard Nixon was during the worst days of Watergate.

 The second lowest job approve al rating of any president at a simi-lar point in his presidency. Only Jimmy Carter's public standing in August 1980 was lower - and by a single percentage point.

The second lowest average elec-

popularity. His approval rating has failen 57 points in Washington Post-ABC News polls since the conclusion of the Gulf War, when tion-year approval rating. So far this year, Mr. Bush's Gallup approval he stood as the most popular presi-dent in the post-World War II perirating has averaged 40 percent, the lowest of any president since Mr. od. Only Harry Truman's fall in the ratings has come as close. Mr. Tru-Truman during a comparable period

Who was this little guy? Dukakis didn't know assets in the region or the will in Congress how the world really worked. He was just another
Jimmy Carter, a technocratic tinkerer, who could

But you had to see Saddam through the Busheyes. Here was a tinhorn, never been anywhere, had no more be trusted with America's fate in a hostile no sense of how to behave. Jeez, Bush and Bake had world than could any other liberal Harvard woolly-head - a do-good little governor from a little state who was going to give away the store!
Where'd he ever been? What gave him the right

to tear everything down, to pick on those good Republicans who had labored so hard to build up

this country? The guy was a little bully. So then, Mr. Bush, so immaculately polite, could come at Michael (and Kitty) Dukakis with a bro-ken bottle in each fist. He could run against crimi-nal-coddin' and for the Pledge of Allegiance. He could do whatever it took because it wasn't about nothing anymore. He had one conviction, honestly held: Dukakis should not be president.

When Saddam Hussein invaded Kuwait, there was no one who would predict that the United States would go to war. It was too dangerous. It was politically impossible. The United States did not have the allies in the United Nations, the

> year approval rating of less than 50 percent has been re-elected. At the least, history suggests that an approv-al rating of less than 55 percent often presages a close election.

For Mr. Bush, there is a potential bright spot. Mr. Ford trailed Mr. Carter in August by 22 percentage points but came roating back to make up 20 of those points by election day — which could suggest that Bill Clin-ton's lead is not insurmountable. Some experts wonder if this might be the election that proves the excep-tion to past patterns. Mr. Bush's fall from public grace seems to defy the conventional wisdom of barely a year ago. "His fall is almost as stumning," said Larry Hugick, managing editor of the Gallup Poll, "as the analysis we

that Bush was the most popular presi dent since Eisenhower or Nixon." - Richard Morin, director of

would have done a year ago saying

been bending over backward, trying to bring him into the circle, make him a friend! And what does he do? He spurns Bush, beats up on a neighbor. (Those pictures on TV!) He showed no respect for

women, children — the gny was just a bully. So Mr. Bush shredded every option but a war against Iraq. He said that Saddam Hussein was no different from Hitler - and he meant it. He marched in to a morning meeting at the White House and announced to his startled staff: "I don't care if I get one vote in Congress. We're going in."

Now, you can see the old bomber pilot strapping on his plot-map and revving himself up. He's "sick and tired," he says, of "all this abuse" from the Democrats. "Twe held out my hand to those

"And I've gotten it bitten off. I've been blamed for everything except that crazy scoring system they used in the Olympic boxing!" Saddam is going to comply with those resolu-tions — all of them! Clinton had better stop

'running down this country!" Bush is the warrior WASP and he has backed himself into the corner where he fights best. He has got himself convinced that he has been hit unfairly, too many times. Any Andover man knows how to take care of a builty.

When I asked Mr. Bush's men about the vicious '88 campaign, Lee Atwater, the campaign manager
— now deceased, alas — explained it in electoral terms. They had to pile up the negatives on Michael Dukakis's head to bring him down in the polls.

But Roger Ailes, the media man, who I think

understood Mr. Bush much better, explained that the attack campaign was more important to Mr. Bush personally. You have to give this guy a sense of mission, Mr. Alles said. And once Mr. Bush narrows his focus to a personal opponent, once he has that sense of personal mission, and personal combat, then, as Mr. Ailes said, "The only way to stop Bush is to kill him."

The writer is author of "What It Takes: The Way to the White House." He contributed this comment to The New York Times.

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The Trick, You Might Say, Is Getting the Insurance

By Walter Wells

DARIS - In a large sense, the car ance. It was advice that found a respect-I was found in the first place. Not ful taker. The lawyer was confident — we just any car, at least not for me, the even decided on the restaurant where we 1975 Porsche 911 came into my life in 1982 with a past that included 90,000 kilometers and one change of paint, from the blue of a troubled sky to the hard edge of anthracite gray.

I say "found" simply because my wife secretly put together the money for me to buy it through several years of tightlisted

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bookkeeping. When she surprised me with the news that she had accomplished this I was touched, even dumbfounded. I was also eager to spend the money. For nearly two years the car brought great pleasure, like any object of envy, of passion, of obsession. It carried us through the manicured European countryside, through dizzying Alpine switchbacks and along the smooth straight-aways of our heady first years in France. It also brought nagging disquiet: The car was not insured against theft.

Explaining why that was the case was complicated for me at the time, certainly complicated now. Why would anyon keep a car like that and not insure it? Even if he didn't know he was living in one of the world's principal auto-theft capitals? Well, as I explained often ugh, always with a tightening throat, I had tried to buy insurance with a halfdozen companies and none of them would touch it. Not getting the message, I plunged ahead with my own protection plan, an expensive alarm system and a

space in a locked garage,
And I used the car infrequently. Cars are stolen from the street, I thought. If mine wasn't on the street, the thieves would take one of the others.

One morning, within weeks after pay-ing a garage a large amount of money to take out all the dings and repaint the body, I went into my locked garage, took the elevator to the second basement, and

found a very large empty space. I had no car, no recourse. My heart was heavy, and not just with longing for the seat-back acceleration and other plea-sures the car had given me. It was mostly heavy with embarrassment, shamefaced embarrassment. Admitting the lack of insurance, no matter how many times

I went through the spiel, always sent listeners away in snickers. And boy could I identify with their reaction. Six years went by, and then the car was found again. In a telephone call from a very pleased Paris policeman, I learned that the Porsche had turned up — in an altered state, of course. Not just another color now (fire engine red, naturally), but with a different gearbox, a more powerful engine, a rear fender lift to make it look

younger, and a forged registration card.

"The car is yours," said the cop.

"There's not the slightest doubt that you'll get it back." He proposed that to celebrate the recovery I could maybe get him and his colleagues tickets for the next Form

The lawyer I hired was not really necessary, the police advised, but good insurwould celebrate the recovery. There was but one guy who had been

tooling around in my car since acquiring it from a chop shop at an appreciably discounted price and with a clearly false registration card six weeks after it disappeared from my locked garage. He was caught through a fluke; For six years be had had the car serviced by the same chop shop. Then it suddenly closed up. (The owner had been arrested and locked up for auto theft.) So he brought the car to a Porsche dealer for servicing. Much to Porsche's credit, it cracked the case. Things were askew. Numbers didn't match. The registration card was for some other car. The man who had the car was in trouble.

Arrested, he was charged with three offenses: Receiving stolen goods (namely, my Porsche), forgery and use of the forged documents (the registration card plus a bill of sale, nonexistent until be had created it), and verbal abuse of the police officers who picked him up.
At trial, three stem-faced jurists lis-

tened to everybody's story, conferred among themselves for two minutes, then convicted him on two of the charges — but not of receiving stolen goods, Because that charge was the basis of my claim, the claim was adjudged urrecevable - inad-missible, outside the court's competence.

"So we'll win on appeal," said my lawyer. Since France is a country where, it is said, everything can be "arranged," usually meaning something like "fixed," I looked for extrajuridical help. A friend had a friend, a high-ranking court offi-cial, who could be approached. We weren't talking anything like bribery, simply a whispered good word on the merits of my case. "Tell your friend not to worry," word came back, "I've looked at the dossier and it's clear. The car is his and he'll get it back.'

Well, I didn't. As the second trial date approached, it turned out that correct procedure had not been followed. Papers were missing from the dossier. The defense, claiming that it had additional evidence, threatened ac-tion against me if I didn't drop the case. Back to the friend of my friend. Now his certainty about the outcome went in the other direction. "Tell your friend to drop his case," he messaged back. "He has no chance." Once again, I didn't have the right insurance.

But some lessons are never learned. I have found another car, a 1975 911S, one of only 400, Porsche tells me, exported to the United States as part of the Silver Jubilee edition. The car arrives at Le Havre soon. It transits through Paris. then goes into a locked garage in a place far away. It is already insured against theft. Its alarm system is the one most recommended to flummox thieves. Other anti-theft devices are also installed, special ones, known only to American car thieves. And maybe, just maybe, the car won't be driven at all. Merely pos-

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ratings of the last two incumbents to lose re-election bids — Gerald Ford

and Jimmy Carter - averaged 47

and 41 percent during the first eight months of their final years in office.

in drawing conclusions from histori-cal comparisons of polling data. Slight differences in the way different polling organizations conduct sur-veys may produce different results on

milarly worded questions, although

Experts stress that care should be

used when comparing Gallup results over time. Until the mid-1980s, the

Gallup Poll was based exclusively on

in-person interviews. Now surveys are conducted by telephone, a change

that appears to produce slight differ-ences in the results obtained on even

some identically worded questions.

Still, Gallup has found that no president with an average election-

these differences usually are small

Opinion researchers urge caution

Somalia: World's Problem, World's Job

. – ran 🏓 The international community should build up a military coalition to deliver the international community should infood and medicine to the starving people of Somalia. While there are dangers, because of the civil war there, the countries of rice for one rifle might try's geography would make it easy for foreign troops to be deployed and to the number of weapons there. reach the people in need.

MARC BOJANIC. Panis.

Anna Quindlen ("Meantime, Somalia Is Worse," Aug. 13) and The Washing-ton Post ("Calamity Scarcely Noticed," Aug. 14), among others, call on the U.S. government to take the lead in helping Somalia. Overlooked is the fact that Somalia is a member of the Arab League, a regional organization that includes some very wealthy countries. Why isn't the Fear about North Korea's nuclear pro- rationalize its own program, North Koleague taking care of its own? Why should it not be expected to take the lead in rescuing its brethren from famine?

STANLEY B. ALPERN. Villefranche-sur-Mer, France.

I see only one possibility for Somalia: tarian aid only in exchange for weapons.

The Busy Plutonium Trade

gram may well lead South Korea to re- rea's concerns are understandable.

the blessing of the Reagan administra-tion, the U.S. government signed off on an international nuclear foreign policy

consider its renunciation of mclear

A. GASPERI. Scheveningen, Netherlands.

Regarding the editorial "America Isn't Asia's Cop" (Aug. 11):

weapons. This could force Japan to re-consider its policy against nuclear arms. In the midst of this, the United States tract with British Nuclear Fuels that which will take some time to integrate in an otherwise stable society.

A better criterion for judging any gov-

that gave Japan a 30-year carte blanche to compile as much photonium as it could produce in European and Japanese separation (or reprocessing) plants. Some 45 metric tons of plutonium will

have been separated in Europe and pre-pared for transport to Japan by the end of the century. It is estimated that Japan may well have stockpiled some 90 to 100 tons of plutonium by 2010. As the Japanese prepare to transport the first of their plutonium shipments

As The New York Times points out, from France to Japan this fall, their Asian the prospect of nuclear proliferation is neighbors are becoming restive. North likely to supercharge the dynamic of the Korea has said Japanese stockpiling is a next 50 years as it did that of the last. threat. While such statements serve to

South Korea's response has been to

has become the key silent partner in the includes the option for future separation trafficking of plutonium into Asia. With of plutonium from South Korean irradiof plutonium from South Korean irradiated nuclear fuel. Since Seoul's original nuclear fuel is of U.S. origin, as is a good deal of Japan's, such a contract would have had to meet with U.S. approval. The United States has the power to

stop these transactions. The threat posed by plutonium stockpiling in coming years could well lead to the construction of deterrent nuclear arsenals. DAMON MOGLEN.

Greenpeace International.

Two Cheers for Royalty Regarding "Down With Monarchy" (Letters, July 29):

Urban rioting cannot be equated with the monarchical system of government. Britain has always had royalty, yet inner-city rioting is a new phenomenon. It is due to the huge influx of immigrants,

intervention to stop the violence in Bang-kok in May. Would Americans have sufficient respect for President George Bush

ernmental system is the amount of cor-

ruption and crime. A little research would show that European countries

with royal families have crime and cor-

ruption rates much below the average.

Well above average is a certain North

As an Australian, I respect my queen. She is fair and responsible. A constitu-

tional monarch, she has only once inter-

vened in our government. In 1975, the Australian Labor Party was unable to govern and so was dismissed by the governor-general (the Queen's representative). The move, widely condemned at the

time, is now recognized as just and wise.

Another example is the Thai king's

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SIMON HAYES. Chiangmai, Thailand

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GENERAL NEWS

For Taiwan, Quiet Gains in Status Where It Counts

By Laurence Zuckerman International Herald Tribune

TAIPEI — A diplomatic ing-of-war ended last month when Niger decided that \$50 million in hard cash was worth more than the promise of a low-interest loan and therefore decided to recognize Taiwan. Immediately, China, which established re-lations with the African nation in 1974 and

considers Taiwan a "renegade province," broke relations with Niger and withdrew a group of doctors it had dispatched as part of a foreign-aid package. The incident was but one example of the diplomatic proxy war that Taiwan and China have been waging since 1949, when

Chiang Kai-shek and the remnants of his Nationalist Army were forced to seek refuge on Taiwan after their defeat by the Commu-It is a war that Taiwan keeps waging despite the fact that the United Nations and most of the world withdrew recognition from Taipei and bestowed it on Beijing in 1971. Periodic competition over which of the two has the right to set up an embassy in Guinea-

Rissan or Nicaragna continues to make headlines. But meanwhile, virtually unno-ticed, Taiwan has subtly but significantly made diplomatic gains in Europe and Asia. eadlines. But meanwhile, virtually unno-iced, Taiwan has subtly but significantly ade diplomatic gains in Europe and Asia.

"Everyone pays attention to African com-

War, have set up or agreed to set up representative offices in Taipei, and negotiations are under way with Moscow.

In Asia, Thailand recently upgraded its representative office, and Vietnam has estab-

tries who have upgraded their status."
Foreign representatives and Taiwan officials say the change reflects the swift move

toward democracy on the island in recent years as well as a growing recognition of its wealth and economic clout.

"In the past, our country was considered that the property of the property "In the past, our country was considered not very democratic," said Sainting Kung, director of the Foreign Ministry's Department of European Affairs. "It was a very

great problem."
Britain, Sweden and the Netherlands recently dispatched career diplomats to head their unofficial representative offices in Tai-

per for the first time, replacing business executives or trade officials. Australia and Canada will follow suit in the next few months.

Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Poland and the three Baltic states, all of which had virtually the contest with Towns no contact with Taiwan throughout the Cold

tries nobody has ever heard of," said a Hong
Kong businessman who follows Taiwan
closely, "when the real story is the big countries who have ungraded their status."

ioint development of Subic Bay naval base in Taiwan, the unofficial embassy, must resign from the Foreign Service before joining the private corporation, which is funded by the State Department. This is a mere technical embassy, must resign from the Foreign Service before joining the private corporation, which is funded by the State Department. This is a mere technical embassy in Taiwan, the unofficial embassy, must resign from the Foreign Service before joining the private corporation, which is funded by A taboo against visits to Taiwan by high-

The ending of 40 years of martial law and the move toward a more democratically elected government have made Taiwan more palatable to the West. And \$63 billion in annual imports, \$87 billion in foreign exchange reserves and a decision to mount a multibillion-dollar infrastructure develop-

Only 30 countries, mostly in Africa and Central America, have full diplomatic relations with Taiwan. Others that wish to be represented in Taipei without offending Beijing use trade offices or cultural institutes, a precedent set by the United States when it transferred recognition to Beijing in 1979.

Staff members of the American Institute

Countries, mostly in Africa and But foreign representatives say there is a But foreign representative say there is a But

level foreign officials was also broken last year when France's minister of industry and Taiwan ends, they simply rejoin the federal bureaucracy.

Other countries who have career diplot mats in Taipei, such as France and Britain, follow the same practice or, in the case of Japan, send a retired ambassador.

Most countries are still extremely alert to

the sensitivities of Beijing, which routinely protests anything that might hint at official recognition of Taipei. But they have been emboldened by the rapidly growing unofficial economic cooperation between Taiwan and the mainland.

ment program — referred to by one Western official as "the \$300 billion carrot" — have made many countries take notice.

"Taiwan may be a diplomatic pygmy, but it is an economic giant," said the representative of a Western country.

Only 20 comparison mention of Africa and the mainland.

"The interaction between Taiwan and the mainland dwarfs any of our initiatives," said the Western representative. "The sheer number of people and money going back and forth make Beijing's protests somewhat ridiculous."

MOSCOW: Jailed Plotters of Anti-Gorbachev Coup Still Insist It Was an Act of Patriotism

(Confirmed from page 1) tents" - he refused to use the word "coup" — as a "cry from the

History will hold responsible for the fate of the Soviet Union not those who made an attempt to save it but those who ruined our powerful and united motherland," he

Arrested immediately after the collapse of the three-day coup, the members of the self-proclaimed Emergency Committee have been languishing in prison since then. Once counted among the most powerful figures in the Soviet Union, they now share their plain prison cells with common criminals, subsisting on a diet of boiled

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oats, potatoes and occasional There seems little prospect that the "putschists" — as they are called here — will be brought to trial anytime soon. The investiga-tion into the Aug. 18-to-21 comp. which was officially completed in January, was reopened this month to allow the study of new evidence. In a recent interview with the German magazine Stern, the chief Russian prosecutor, Valentin Sto-

The official reason for the pro-tracted legal proceedings is that several of the defendents have still several of the defendents have still
not finished reviewing the 125 volunes of evidence and 50 three-hour
overthrow Mikhail S. Gorbachev, umes of evidence and 50 three-hour videocassettes collected by the the last Soviet president.

Under Russian law, no trial can be held until all defendants have percent of Muscovites thought that had the opportunity to study the evidence against them and to appeal.

a trial of the coup leaders was essential, against 30 percent who thought they should be freed. The

Some Russian commentators have speculated that the government does not want to bring the leaders to trial at a time of deepen-ing economic crisis. It is widely believed that they and their sup-porters would try to use the trial as a forum for expleiting a grounds-well of discontent over rising prices and growing crime.

Valentin S. Pavlov, the former 7 percent.

House But Mr. Yanayev and other tumm, when videotaped interrogations of the committee refused tons of coup leaders were sold to sharpening in the situation right Emergency Committee formally to approve the plan, fearing that it the German magazine Der Spiegel.

does not exist anymore."

Opinion polls suggest that many A poll in the evening newspaper

remainder gave no opinion. Growing disillusionment with the fruits of democracy, however, does not appear to translate into significantly greater support for the leaders of the coup. About 42 percent of Muscovites now describe

themselves as supporters of the "democratic camp," down from 62 and growing crime.

"A trial would provoke a new wave of dissatisfaction in Russia," said Alexei Galaganov, a lawyer for from 4 percent of the population to

pankov, said he doubted that sentences could be handed down before the middle of next year, at the earliest.

Now. Various pretexts could be seized power on the evening of found for halting the case. The defendants are being accused under serilest.

Now. Various pretexts could be seized power on the evening of Ang. 18 after taking steps to isolate shed.

Mr. Galaganov said that Prime at the Black Sea resort of Foros.

Minister Pavlov went home "sick"

told them that the president was ill and it was necessary to preempt a coup attempt by "democrats" who had allegedly drawn up a list of people targeted for execution. The country learned about the

taken over as acting president and began broadcasting Emergency Committee decrees. The leaders of the Emergency Committee soon began arguing among themselves over how to deal with Mr. Yeltsin and other opposi-

tion leaders.

Aug. 20, Mr. Kryuchkov ordered try where almost everything seems the military to draw up plans to to have a price.

storm the Russian parliament Rival Russian publications restorm the Russian parliament

Mr. Krynchkov summoned se- on the second day of the coup, nior officials to the Kremlin and because Mr. Pavlov had opposed the decision to order troops into Although the pretrial investiga-

tion is ostensibly secret, details of the prosecution case are likely to pour out over the next few weeks. Mr. Stepankov and his assistant, coup at 6 A.M. the following day when state-run television and radio announced that Mr. Yanayev had announced that Mr. Yanayev had with conies of hundreds of prosequing the conies of hundreds of hundreds of prosequing the conies of hundreds of h with copies of hundreds of prosecution documents, to the Moscow weekly Ogonyok, which passed worldwide rights on to Stern.

the American rights for an undisclosed sum. The trade in official documents by Russia's chief law enforcement Evidence collected by the prose-cution shows that, at 9 A.M. on ments, but little outrage in a coun-

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building, known as the White called a similar scandal last au-House. But Mr. Yanayev and other tumn, when videotaped interroga-

U.S. Set to Begin Food Airlift to Somalia

New York Times Service
MOMBASA, Kenya — The first of 11 Pentagon aircraft landed here Tuesday for the start of a two-month airlift of food to Somalia. The airlift will help ferry some of the 145,000

tons of rice, oil, sorghum and other foodstuffs that Washington is sending to Somalia, as well as food from the United Nations and other countries, officials here said.

The C-130 and C-141 planes will begin flying food to Wajir in northern Kenya on Thursday for Somali refugees there and for trucking across the border, according to Brigadier General Frank Libutti, the head of the 34-member team that arrived here Tuesday.

The general said the start of flights into Somalia depended on the results of aerial surveys on airstrips in rural Somalia, where a delivery of food by nongovernmental organizations difficult and dangerous.

A combination of drought and anarchic strife among a number of heavily armed clans has produced the famine that the International Committee of the Red Cross estimates has killed tens of thousands of Somalis.

The Red Cross, which has been delivering food for 18 months, has estimated that onethird of the nation's 4.5 million to 6 million people are in imminent danger of death if large quantities of food are not delivered.

If necessary, U.S. aircraft and crew landing in Somalia would be protected on the ground by American military personnel flown in on the aircraft, General Libutti said. Peacetime rules of self-protection will be in force when American military form a perimeter around the air-

"We are not here to flex military muscle," the general said.

The White House announced the American airlift late last week, after pressure mounted to alleviate the tragedy in which, the Red Cross says, hundreds and perhaps thousands of Somalis continue to die daily of starvation.

The American involvement is much larger in scale than during the famine in Ethiopia in 1984, when the Marxist government refused U.S. military help, according to Fred Fischer, the director of the U.S. Agency for International Development regional office in Kenya.

General Libutti said he had received "mixed reviews" from humanitarian organizations working in Somalia about the security situation. If it proved too risky to deliver food to airstrips because of threats from armed gangs, he would consider air-dropping, he said.



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verting public housing into homes owned by low income Americans." and says that "the truest measure of our success will not be how many families we add to housing assistance rolls, but, rather, how many families we move into the ranks of homeownership."

The platform picks up on Mr. Quayle's war against litigation by calling for limits on medical malpractice cases, restrictions on the use of expert witnesses and changes in product liability laws.

And it scores "a government monopoly over the means of educating" and praises school choice pro-

Whether all this will be new enough to save Mr. Bush remains open to question, especially since conservatives have been promoting some of these causes for a long

Peggy Noonan, who was the main architect of Mr. Bush's successful 1988 acceptance speech, argues that not just the president but all conservatives have a problem convincing the country that they

Latvians Warned on Rabbits

The Associated Press

MOSCOW - Doctors in Rige, Latvia, warned people Tuesday not to eat rabbits sold in local markets after the theft from a research center of 42 infected with hepatitis and carcinogens, the press agency Itar-Tass reported.

are fresh, ready and engaged after more than a decade in power.

It is almost inevitable, she said, that conservative ideology seems tired to so many - and that the tion officials said the United States administration thus seems so disen-

"One of Bush's problems after 12 brella and threaten Mr. Saddam years of the Republicans being in with force unless he halted attacks arge of the executive microphone is to take old ideas that are good ideas and make them sound like interesting and valid ideas," she

The difficulty Mr. Bush faces in coming up with new tax and budget proposals suggests the potential limits of the new conservative agen-da he is embracing. While Americans are worried about education and health care, what most hold against Mr. Bush is economic stagnation. Politically, the "conserva-tive reform agenda" will be sucsful only if it is linked to a sense that Mr. Bush can take hold of the

economy and promote growth. Still, many Republicans are seems willing to throw his energies into convincing the country that he

cares about domestic policy. Up to now, said Linda DiVall, a Republican poll-taker, even the president's body language was undermining this cause.

"You can turn off the sound and look at his face and know if he's talking about foreign policy or do-mestic affairs," she said. "I guess that's going to change after Thurs-

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southern Iraq to protect the Shiite population."

On Monday, Bush administraand its allies were preparing to protect the Shiites with an aerial um-

on them.

Another British official said that, working with the United States and France, Britain would set up systematic monitoring of the airspace in southern Iraq.
"If we find an Iraqi aircraft in

the air over southern Iraq, we will shoot it down," the official said. The official said Britain was ready to send six Tornado combat

He said France would probably provide a similar number of aircraft, and the United States substantially more.

He said the allies planned to mount 24-hour air patrols in the heartened that Mr. Bush now exclusion zone. He said that the aircraft would be "flying and monitoring on a 24-hour-a-day basis" and that the operation was not limited as to tin

ed Nations was expected to be given a warning that the air operation the end of June, brought 500 UN

denies access to UN weapons in-

The latest team left Iraq Tuesday, but other negotiators immedi-

ately began pressing Iraqi officials to permit UN workers the freedom of action necessary to continue humanitarian projects.

Attacks on aid workers and UN guards multiplied, however. A Swedish UN guard was evacuated to Baghdad and was later flown out of the country after being shot in northern Iraq, the latest victim in a series of assaults on the guards and other UN officials.

In another assault, a grenade was tossed at a house where three Danish UN guards were staying in northern Iraq. No one was hurt.

The Kurds blamed the Baghdad government for the attacks. The government blamed Kurdish guerrillas, saying they were trying to aircraft and two in-flight refueling aircraft to help police the "no fly-

The plight of the Shiites and Iraq's refusal to renew a memorandum of understanding to permit relief workers access to Iraqi civilians are key issues of negotiations started Tuesday in Baghdad under Jan Eliasson, head of the UN emergency aid program.

American officials say they see Mr. Eliasson's mission as decisive in determining whether force will Iraq's chief delegate to the Unit- again be used against Mr. Saddam.

was about to begin.

Baghdad has also been threatened with allied military action if it

guards to Iraq to safeguard the relief efforts. The programs are primarily in the north, where a safe haven was established for Kurds after a Kurdish rebellion at the end of the Gulf War.

(Reuters, AP, WP, AFP, NYT)



Woody Allen arriving at Michael's Pub in New York City for his once-a-week Dixieland jazz jam session. He plays the clarinet.

(Continued from page 1) selling crafts from an Ainu "vilon the eastern end of the

Only a tiny number of those Ainu are full-blooded, and a fraction speak the unwritten Ainu language and know the culture, built around rites like bear hunts and salmon fishing, both of which are now hanned.

Mr. Toyooka says he is convinced that there are many more people with at least some Ains blood, but that they deny it to

For instance, three times as many Ainu require some form of government assistance as Japanese on Hokkaido. And while 8 percent of the Ainu get university educations, about 27 percent of the overall Hokkaido population does. Many Ainu are day laborers and

commission advising the prefectur-al government on Ainu issues, insists that the Ainn need help, but only so they can take advantage of the opportunities available to all.

"They might have suffered some discrimination before, but since the war the constitution guarantees their human rights," Mr. Morimoto said. "They have the same opportu-nities as anyone else. It's up to them to take advantage of those."

Mr. Motimoto's commission has proposed a series of new laws to provide more financial assistance to the Ainn and help them preserve modern jazz that uses rhythms dre Previn. their culture. He also firmly backs from Ainu songs.

means political assimilation," he said. The Japanese don't take us seriously. That won't change. Some of those people may want to preserve and study Aimi culture, but that would mean it would end up in a museum, not survive as a living

So Mr. Toyooka channels his efforts into helping save the Ainu language, in part by taping video lessons. He has also worked with a friend, Fusae Doi, who is involved in a group that promotes Ainu

As His Case Deepens Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches press at which he declined to an-

NEW YORK — Connecticut swer questions. Mr. Allen, who is involved in a child custody dispute with Ms. Farstate police said Tuesday that they had launched a criminal investigarow, said his lawyers told him that tion against Woody Allen, but they her attorneys had asked for \$7 milwould not confirm a lawyer's allehon and offered to drop the alleragation that it involved child abuse. tions against him in exchange for The guarded statement from the the payment. police followed the revelation that

Woody Allen Denies

Child Abuse Charge

At the public information office of the state police, a trooper, Debbie Roy, confirmed that there was a criminal investigation involving-Mr. Allen but said that no charges had been filed. She declined to give any more information or to characterize the investigation any further.

Dershowitz said it had been spurred by a doctor who, after examining the child two weeks ago, reported the results of his examination to the authorities. Mr. Dershowitz is a Harvard law professor whose cases have involved such highly publicized clients as the hotelier Leona Helmsley and the boxer Mike Tyson.

The doctor, Vadakkekara Kavirajan of New Milford, Connecticut is the regular physician for Ma. Farrow's children. He would not comment other than to say that if a parent makes a complaint of abuse. or if a child informs a doctor of abuse, or if in the course of an examination the doctor gets any inkling of abuse, he is required, by state law, to report the case to the state Child Protection Bureau. Citing the welfare of the child, Dr. Kavirajan would not confirm having made such a report in this case.

A spokeswoman for Mr. Allen,

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ONDON - After the triumphs of "Six Degrees of Separation" and "Death and the Maiden," the Royal Court returns to its more traditional Sloane Square concerns with April De Angelis's "Hash," in which the death of socialism and the 1980s loss of faith are debated by the usual selection of Chelsea mourners.

True, one of the characters here thinks be is a dog, barking his way around the stage in

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a canine plea for attention, but as nearly all others have also been washed up either literally or metaphorically, on the beaches of rapid social and political change, his pleas for charitable treatment are apt to be

De Angelis, who comes in from the fringe for this first main-house play, has gathered her group of 1980s missits to mourn the passing of one of their number, who disappeared mysteriously at sea a year before. Her sister and a failed novelist who was once acclaimed for "a refreshing study of famine" are left to pick up Jo's pieces, including her teenage daughter, who is alienated enough to take up with the Dogboy on the beach until he too tries to come in from the new cold.

De Angelis's influences range from Edward Bond to David Hare, and her play therefore lumbes from the occasionally surreal to the more traditional Guardian ints about a society that has lost its capability for sympathy or identification with underdogs. But "Hush" reads better than it plays, and not even Max Stafford-Clark's fluid production can disguise the fact that we have several intriguing charac-ters here in search of an author who can

"The Street of Crocodiles," based on short stories by Bruno Schulz and directed by Simon McBurney, at the Cottesloe Theatre.

frame them into something more coherent.

The measy truth is that plays about Britain in the 80s have dated as fast as the instant biographies of Lady Thatcher, and that the Court might do better to stick to its new-found internationalism.

After their uncharacteristic but splen did lurch into linear, conventional theatrical storytelling with last year's "The Visit," the Theatre de Complicité troupe is hack at the National Theatre and to their more traditional form with the largely un-fathomable "The Street of Crocodles" at the Cottesloe.

This would appear to be a salute to Bruno Schulz, the Jewish Polish writer who was arrested and killed by the Nazis around the time of his 50th birthday in 1942, and were his life or writing more generally known here, then this circuitous and sidelong look at it might have worked very well. As it is however, the sight of the troupe's players clambering vertically down walls or emerging from shrunken garbage cans is inclined to get in the way of any real understanding of who Shultz was or why we

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should want to get to know his work. On a stage full of disorienting, disturb-ing, absurdist images certain themes do emerge: Schulz seems to have been indebted to Alphonse Allais and Franz Kafka in roughly equal measure for a mix of ab-surdist fantasy and complex nightmares that are brought to historical reality with chilling effect when we hear the approach of jackboots at the door.

Grosz and the Marx Brothers are also somewhat present in an adaptation and production by Simon McBurney that is full of sound and fury but signifies not a lot, except I would guess to experts on Schulz who may well welcome this briskly mimed, menacing gallop through his tales played out, when language is needed, in bursts of German and Polish on the borderline where dreams become nightmares of Occupation and invasion.

The result is absurdist, minimalist and haunting, but also a reminder that there are times - and this is one of them when the linear conventions of a biographical plot would have been very welcome.

Something seems to have gone curiously adrift with the Peter Wood staging of "She Stoops to Conquer," which closes this year's festival at Chichester, and I do not simply refer to the member of the audience who, on the night I was there, wandered becausedly around the stage presumably in

With a cast headed by Denis Quilley

A Cult Figure Goes Video Celibidache, at 80, Changes His Tune on Recording

By John Rockwell

ARIS - Most of us try to judge artists by their work not their personalities, But what to do about a conductor who professes the noblest and most mystical ideals yet acts like a tyrant, presents the public image of a snake-oil huckster and seems now to have betrayed a lifelong credo of opposition to re-

New York Tomes Service

In other words, how does one respond to the Romanian conduc-tor Sergiu Celibidache? After a strange and erratic career spent bouncing from second-rate orchestra to second-rate orchestra, Celibidache, who recently turned 80, has finally settled in Munich, where he leads yet another second-rate or-chestra, the Munich Philharmonic.

There, now that Herbert von Karajan, Leonard Bernstein and other cult competitors have died. Celibidache has been elevated to near

And what in particular does one make of his latest recording? For 40 years. Celibidache damned the medium and swore he would never deign to subject the pure spontane-ity of his music-making to such arti-ficial treatment. Yet the recording in question, a 12-inch laser video disk of rehearsals and a performance of Prokofiev's "Classical" Symphony (Teldec), is intended as the first in a ong line of Celibidache documents on Teidec.

During the late 1930s and World War II, Celibidache studied music in Berlin. After the war he was plucked from obscurity by the Allies and made chief conductor of the Berlin Philharmonic while Wil- a fascinating affair. The "Classi-

back at the helm in 1948, Celibidache began his odyssey through radio symphony orchestras least copyrighted, in 1988. The rein cities like Stuttgart and Stock-hearsal segments were apparently holm. (He did have a relationship with the London Symphony in the 1970s, and made an emotional return to the Berlin Philharmonic this spring.) In 1979, he took over the Munich Philharmonic, the city's second orchestra, behind the Bavarian tracted rebearsal, and it would be cian, Celibadache guards his se-Radio Symphony (or possibly its fascinating to hear a single score crets, theatrically. third, behind the Bavarian Staatskapelle, which plays mostly opera).

Today, Celibidache concerts in the Philharmooic's shiny new hall, the Gasteig, are a cult phenomenon that leaves wizened musical veterans bernused. In early June, before the last of four subscription concerts that offered not one but two cult beroes, with Arturo Benedetti Mi-

in the lobby approached hysteria.

People stood everywhere, holding imploring signs or buttonholing passersby in search of spare tickets. A shoving mob at the box office muscled for position to be told, periodically, that nothing was

Inside, the program of Rossini, Mozart and Ravel provided the typical mix of a merely decent orchestra playing at the top of its form. Michelangeli, when he had finished the Ravel Concerto in G, offered - "as a birthday tribute to

15 ravishing minutes of solo Ravel. Since making a few recordings in the late '40s, Celibidache has shunned the medium. As a Zen Buddhist, he believes in the divine spontaneity of the moment, has ventured various explanations for



Sergiu Celibidache: A lifelong belief in spontaneity.

his boycott of recordings, most sug-gesting that to capture one particumusical event, frozen in time and cut off from context, is to distort music cruelly.

with microphones, Celibidache has merely fanned the flame of his cult and avoided possibly harsh com-

In any case, the Prokofiev disk is helm Furtwängler struggled to "de- cal" Symphony might seem an odd choice of repertory, but Celibi-dache has long favored lightish-ITH Furtwängler classical scores with a certain verve, which he can refine, or embalm, into masterpiece status.

The Teldec disk was made, or at

drawn from the first run-through of each movement. This narrow selection seems odd, since the entire program, less than an hour long, takes only one side of a laser disk. Celibidache is famons for his pro-

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evolving into his vision. Here the conductor, working from memory, hums to make his interpretive points, jokes heavy-handedly, dresses up the music in little dramatic scenarios and dispenses musicological insights. None of it reveals much.

What is especially not revealed is how Celibidache gets from the rough, gritty playing heard in the rehearsal excerpts to the polished performance (which the musicians play in street clothes, with no audience). Doubters will complain about the slow tempos of the first three movements (the fourth is more conventional), but the beauty Celibidache elicits and his "love for detail," as he calls it in an aside, are truly worthy of cult devotion.

This disk offers the greatest contrast imaginable between the dross of rehearsal and the glitter of performance — from lead to alchemically transmuted gold. Like some Renaissance scientist-priest-magi-

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Singing the News: Operas for Our Times

By Joseph McLellan
Washington Post Service

TASHINGTON - A new complication has been added to the already-arduous work of being a news maker in the late 20th century: You may find yourself featured not only on the evening news but in the local opera

And sooner or later, we can expect to see the next step: an opera composer sued by someone he has set to music.

Time was when opera dealt only in people who were mythical or, at least, safely dead; no danger of Wotan suing Wagner for defama-tion or Mephistopheles complaining to Geraldo that "Gounod just didn't understand me." But not

Consider, for example, "X," in which Malcolm Little is converted to the Nation of Islam, becomes Malcolm X, rises to a position of leadership, breaks with Elijah Mohammed and dies in a hail of assassins' bullets. Whatever happened to those comfortable old operas, full of nice

tunes, about love and tuberculosis

in a 19th-century Paris garret? Or the problems facing true love when

the soprano's and tenor's families

are sworn enemies? Or about lech-



Ben Holt singing the lead role in a scene from "X."

What has happened, I think, is historic characters into fictional that opera has entered the 20th situations. century - not a minute too soon when you consider how little of that century we have left. This means that opera has shed its ro-mantic illusions without losing its

historic penchant for fantasy. It has added a strong dose of psychiatry to its basic mix, developed a taste for gossip about public figures and become politicized.
And in the primal tradition of opera — or art in general as opposed cra — or art in general as opposed to reportage — it uses facts but it does not feel limited to them. Handel's and Verdi's operas often put ery and vengeance at the court of Mantua in the Renaissance?

Similarly, in his notes to the re-cording of "The Manson Family" (Point-Philips), composer John Moran says he made no attempt to be complete, objective or accurate; the characters are used "to express something larger than the events of 1969." It is, he says, "all very sub-jective, and really speaks more about the author than his subject." In effect, opera has caught up

Operas about Cleopatra are fine

one about Marilyn Morroe if that

long-contemplated project of the Washington Opera ever becomes a reality. Marilyn is no longer current news, of course. Neither is Mahatma Gandhi, whose invention of nonviolent political action is the subject of Philip Glass's "Satyagraha." Or Huey Long, the thinly disguised subject of Carlisle Floyd's "Willie Stark," which is based on Robert Penn Warren's novel "All the King's Men." But all are a part

the King's Men." But all are a part

of living memory and some are a

serious challenge to the widespread

opinion that opera has to be about

people who are either imaginary or dead for a long time.

set to music. Today, it's what we see on the 10 o'clock news. Now it's a free-for-all: not only the folk heroes and villains of our This kind of thing seems to be occurring with special intensity in American opera, but it is an intensity in anomalies (the man who mistook his wife for a hat), for the way the Nyman of Britain composed "The Man Who Mistook He Miss for clients) or for the quiet desperation Hat," in which a case history of brain dysfunction from a psychologist's notebook is set to music. Also in Britain, the Indian-born conposer Priti Paintal has written "Biko," commissioned but the Born for inclusion in an opera non seame Man Who Mistook His Wife for a "Biko," commissioned by the Royal Opera House, about the black South African activist Steve Biko,

"Biko," commissioned by the Royal Opera House, about the black provoke extreme emotional states — which is what opera has always really been about.

and Jean Boht, as the country couple farci-

cally mistaken for innkeepers by their pro-spective son-in-law, this should have been a vintage revival of the Goldsmith classic

ideally suited to Chichester in its museum

mood. But Wood has, very unusually,

been unable to impose any overall playing

style on his troupe, and the cast therefore

lurches uneasily from one comic conven-

tion to another, apparently uncertain which one will best suit the action.

little more than charming as the eventual

lovers, Jonathon Morris is an irredeem-

ably modern Tony Lumpkin, and Quilley and Boht are both so benign as the parents

that it is very hard for the production to

achieve any real tension of mistaken iden-

tity or prospective marital mishap.

If everyone is as vaguely amiable as in
the Chichester foyer bar at the interval,

there is apt to be very little cause for

drama; and despite the elaborate period

staging (shot birds fall to the stage com-

plete with flurries of feathers), the compa-

ny does not seem to have worked out quite

which period they should be re-creating. It

is in productions like this that one sudden-

ly yearns for the return of a permanent

acting ensemble such as was available to

Wood and other directors in the earliest

days of Olivier's National company at

Chichester: Four weeks or so of rehearsal

with a scratch company is evidently not

enough in which to impose any kind of overall style.

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MEDIA MARKETS

Elle Colors Its New Look With a Splash of Sober

By Geraldine Fabrikant New York Times Service

EW YORK —Gilles Bensimon, the 48-year-old creative director of Elle, is surprisingly blunt about the fashion magazine's recent troubles. "Elle got to be boring," he said quietly in a heavy French accent, leaning back in a black leather sofa at Hachette Magazines' headquarters in Manhattan. "Our articles are going to be more deep."

That is quite an indictment coming from a man who has worked at Elle since it burst on the American scene in 1985 by being spunkier than Vogue, putting high fashion with street fashion and imphasizing faces rather than outili-clad figures.

But if earnings and crucial newsettend sales are any indication.

But if earnings and crucial newsstand sales are any indication,

Mr. Bensimon knows what he is talking about Profits of the Sometimes you want American version of Hachette

A's popular French magazine to be nave skidded since 1989.

The timing of Elle's slide heige. could not be worse. On Aug. 25, Hearst Corp. is scheduled to in-

roduce an updated Harper's Bazaar, younger and hipper and loming in on Elle's territory. And Vogne, published by Conde Vast, still dominates the market.

to be more gray and

Elle swept on the scene in November 1985 with a slew of young kevil-may-care models. They were often photographed close up, with more emphasis on their faces and accessories than on the raditional outfits that were the standard fare of Vogue and larper's Bazaar. Colors were hot. There was the pink section, the

larper's Bazaar. Colors were hot. There was the pink section, the reliaw section, the red section.

As Mr. Bensimon said: "Before we had visual shock. Now slowly we want to be more realistic." Examples include the September such a stricle on abortion, which might not have appeared in earlier such, and the conservative September cover, with the model landia Schiffer in black, gray and white. "Sometimes you want to se more gray and beige, not show off at all," Mr. Bensimon said.

By 1989, Elle's circulation had soared to \$26,000 from 600,775 at be end of 1986, challenging Vogne's dominance in the field, with a inculation of 1.2 million. The magazine ran 2,321 ad pages in 1989. But readers can be fickle about fashion magazines. No sooner and the magazine peaked than ad pages began to slide and newstand sales, a key indicator of reader enthusiasm, dived.

The decline stemmed partly from the recession. Advertising in

The decline stemmed partly from the recession. Advertising in the fell 28 percent between 1989 and 1991, to 1,764 pages. In the ame period, Vogne's dropped 24 percent.

British Accounts: Toeing the Line?

By Erik Ipsen International Herald Tribune

LONDON — Long-simmering disaffection with the flexible standards of British accounting has shocked nearly everyone by bursting forth as a hot issue here.

Following a new book written by a respected analyst for a leading London brokerage and his employer's attempts to have publication halted, finance directors at some of Britain's largest companies find themselves at pains to deny they have exercised undue creativity. "If you think accounting is important to the functioning of the financial markets, then, yes, we are in bad shape," said Michael Power, a professor of accounting at the London School of Economics.

The problem is that British accounting standards, by nearly everyone's reckoning, allow corporations so much flexibility in preparing their accounts as to render them at best potentially g. "We still have a lot of practices available to compani that, shall we say, are quite helpful to them in reporting good profits," said Peter Holgate, a partner at Coopers & Lybrand.

All this was of little more than academic interest until the recession dug its claws into the fiber of corporate Britain. Since then, companies that reported healthy profit growth one week have filed

In the process, the reputations of the bankrupt companies' outside anditors and of the analysts who follow their securities have suffered. Suits against auditors, once a rarity, have become commonplace. And as their numbers have swollen, so too has the size of the claims, which now reach into the billions of pounds.

"If a company is growing, poor accounts make little difference, said James Carty, a partner at the auditor Robson Rhodes. He pointed out that in a recession "real profits" are hard to come by and companies "run out of cash" and are forced into bankruptcy. As the recession drags on and the corporate wreckage mounts, the

debate over company accounts has turned nasty. All parties con-cerned now routinely fault each other for their failure to flag such

The collapse of Polly Peck International PLC two years ago, once the darling of the London Stock Exchange, is a case in point. "If they had had to follow U.S. accounting practices, Polly Peck's problems would have been seen years earlier," Mr. Rhodes said.

In the latest flap, Terry Smith, head of research at UBS Phillips &

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Germany Expects 4 Steady Years

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

BONN - The German government provided a generally upbeat assessment of the outlook for Europe's largest economy on Tuesday, saying that it expected steady economic growth and modest inflation over the next four years. But the report by the Economics Ministry also said there was fittle prospect of memployment in the formerly communist East Germany falling from current high levels despite massive

overnment investment in the region.

Meanwhile, the Bundesbank underscored its commitment to low inflation, saying it would continue to aim toward a medium-term infla-

tion rate of 2 percent.

The central bank said in its latest monthly report that the fact that Western Germany's inflation dropped to an annual 3.3 percent rate in July from 4.3 percent in June, was no reason for emphoria. That slowdown was largely a statistical quirk caused by tax rises last summer, the Bundesbank said.

The Bundesbank also confirmed preliminary figures published last month showing that M-3, the bank's major barometer of money supply growth and an indicator of inflationary pressures, had risen in June at an annualized rate of

8.7 percent from the fourth quarter of 1991.

So far this year, all M-3 figures have far exceeded the Bundesbank's 1992 growth target range of 3.5 percent to 5.5 percent set in De-

The Economics Ministry report said that annual inflation in Western Germany should average 3.5 percent in the next four years. It forecast Western Germany's gross national product would grow by an average of 2.5 per-cent per year from 1992 to 1996, while growth

in the East should average 9 percent.

The ministry acknowledged that its forecasts were based on optimistic assumptions about the German and world economy. The basis of the medium-term projection is the assumption that we will succeed through joint efforts in

growth seen in the last nine years."

The ministry's optimism contrasted with recent comments from private economists, who have interpreted rising unemployment and falls in both industrial output and retail sales as evidence that the German economy was flagging. But the government was supported by the Federation of German Banks, which said in its

monthly economic report that an upswing in the foreseeable future could not be ruled out. There are certainly factors which speak for a positive development," it said, citing the sound linancial position of German companies and

their investment in modern plant.

The Economies Ministry said growth and higher productivity should create up to 1.5

million new jobs in Western Germany. The ministry said a clear pick-up in the economy of Eastern Germany should be apparent by 1996 but high wages in the region were hamper-

ing job creation. (Reuter, AFP, Bloomberg)

Chrysler Gets Reprieve from 152 Banks

DETROIT — Chrysler Corp. succeeded Tuesday in refinancing \$6.8 billion of debt with a syndicate of 152 banks, giving the automaker a chance to achieve financial health in return for more onerous borrowing requirements than

it previously faced. Chrysler said its financing subsidiary faced more restrictive conditions and higher interest

rates on the three-year deal than in the past.

As expected, the new agreement between
Chrysler Financial Corp. and the banks would reduce the current level of lending commitments by about \$2 billion over time, the automaker said.

The agreement was crucial to Chrysler because the below-investment-grade ratings of Chrysler Financial hampered the carmaker's ability to raise money to provide financing for dealers.

The agreement replaced a loan to Chrysler Finance that was to come due by April. The banks belonged to a consortium that has been lending to Chrysler for about four years. The interest rate and charges on the new agreement were significantly higher than in the old one, reflecting perceptions that the company posed a higher risk because of the recession and its fragile financial condition.

If unanimous agreement had not been reached by the end of the week, the automaker and its lead head to be the condition.

and its lead banks, Chemical Banking Corp. and Swiss Bank Corp., would have been forced to start negotiations all over.

In recent weeks, Chrysler even solicited the help of the Federal Reserve Board to persuade German central bankers to use their influence on German banks that were holding out. Negotiating such loans has been routine in

the past, but the process has been clouded by Chrysler's thin financial resources and regulatory pressure on banks.

Among the big question marks on Chrysler's books is a \$4 billion unfunded liability for employees' pensions. The automaker has asserted that an array of new models and higher demand for vehicles would allow it to pay off the liability over 10 years

Low ratings on Chrysler's debt securities have made it prohibitively expensive for the company to raise money in the public bond markets. Several U.S. banks initially resisted participation in the loan but pressure to join the Chrysler syndicate has been heavy because the fate of the company could be at stake.

Chrysler's share price slipped 12.5 cents, to \$21.125, on the New York Stock Exchange.

(AP, Bloomberg, NYT)

U.S. Housing Starts Decline

ing starts fell for the second nomic recovery remained on track. the West. The unexpected 2.8 percent drop

in housing starts, to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 1.12 million units, followed a 3.8 percent drop in July 1991. in June. Economists had forecast a

But building permits, a barometer of future housing activity, reversed four months of declines, rising 3.7 percent in July, to an annual rate of 1.07 million.

June and July were exceptionally rainy months in the United States, hich hurt construction activity. The falloff in July construction

straight month in July, despite low- was widespread, with only the er interest rates, but Treasury Sec- South reporting a slight rise in retary Nicholas F. Brady said he housing starts. Activity weakened remained confident that the eco- in the Northeast, the Midwest and But overall, the July starts level was 10.2 percent higher than the

annual rate of 971,000 units begun The Federal Home Loan Mortslight increase in July construction gage Corp. said last week the average interest rate for a 30-year mort-

gage had dropped to 7.96 percent its lowest in nearly two decades. In Houston, Mr. Brady said he expected economic growth in the second half to surpass the 2 percent rate of the first half.

Mr. Brady told the Maryland delegation to the Republican Na-But interest rates for home mort-tional Convention that U.S. ecogages are at their lowest levels since nomic growth was slower than the

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches the early 1970s, and that may be ne-WASHINGTON — U.S. hous- fit builders in coming months. administration wanted, but added that the stage was being set for a that the stage was being set for a solid upswing in the coming years.

Citing low interest rates and inflation plus high productivity, the treasury secretary said 1993 and 1994 were going to be "outstanding

He said the United States must adopt "intelligent" economic stimulus measures, such as a cut in the capital gains tax. But more important than that, he said was reducing the budget deficit.

Ciments Français Stock Sale Flops

PARIS — Compagnie Financière de Paribas said Tuesday that the issue of 12.5 million new preference shares in Société des Ciments Français last month was badly received by the market.

A Paribas executive said that the firm would certainly end up with more than the 20 percent stake in Ciments Français that it planned to hold following the operation.

The official blamed "awful market conditions." The subscription period for the new shares, aimed at generating a net 4.75 billion francs (\$957 million) in Ciments Français capital, was July 9 to 29, a period when the Paris Bourse's CAC-40 index fell 2.5 percent.

Paribas and Mediobanca SpA of Italy each guaranteed half of the issue, the Paribas executive said. It had been planned that after the capital increase, Ciments Français would be held 30 percent by Italcementi; 15 percent by a holding company owned two-thirds by Italcementi and one-third by Police, a Paribas unit; 15 percent by Police, 5 percent by Mediobanca and 35 percent by the public.

Paribas's total indirect stake in Ciments Francais, therefore, had been forecast to be 20 percent. We will certainly end up with more than 20 percent," the executive said.

An Italian newspaper reported this month that Mediobanca had 13.26 percent of Ciments Français, 8.26 percent above the level the bank had

Japan's Short of Rice And It's Inconvenient

By Andrew Pollack

New York Times Service

TOKYO — At a time when it is resisting international calls to open its market to imports of rice, Japan has an embarrassing problem - a rice shortage.

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The shortage, while not affecting consumers much, has more than doubled the prices being paid for rice by Japanese makers of rice crackers, miso, sake and other foods and beverages. And these companies, which have a much greater financial interest in the price of rice than consumers do, are beginning to think the once unthinkable: Maybe imports should be allowed.

The simation is posing a quandary for the government, potentially pitting the interests of the traditional Japanese rice farmers against those of the equally traditional sake brewers and makers of rice cakes. Anxious to keep these food processors from becoming the hole in the dike that has protected Japan's rice farmers, the Agriculture Ministry is quietly preparing an emergency allocation of 30,000 tons of high-quality rice from its stockpiles, which will be sold to food

processors at bargain prices in hopes of tiding them over until the next harvest this fall. "We need to avoid the situation that the user industry gets into trouble," said Hiroshi Tsuchiya, chief of the paddy farming section at the Central Union of Agricultural Cooperatives, the powerful organization that plays a central role in promoting rice farming and distributing farm output in Japan.

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The situation is an example of the maneuvers that Japan must make to hold together its closed rice market at a time when the system is coming under pressure not only from other nations that See RICE, Page 13

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Election Concerns Weigh on Stocks

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches NEW YORK — U.S. stocks ended slightly higher Tuesday, propped up by a mild raily in the bond market.

But the focus of trading was on whether President George Bush will be able to revive his stumbling

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re-election campaign, traders said. "The market is on edge," said Hugh Johnson, chief investment strategist at First Albany Corp. "Everybody is waiting to see whether Bush has anything left in him, and we won't find that out until Thursday night when he speaks at the convention."

The Dow Jones industrial average rose 4.59, to 3,329.48, while advancing common stocks outnumbered declining issues by a 7-6 ratio on the New York Stock Exchange. Volume rose to 171.50 million shares from

152 million on Monday. Stocks received a boost from a rebound in Treasury bond prices. which followed news that U.S. housing starts fell 2.8 percent in July. The report prompted some concern about the strength of the economic

bond prices, traders said.

The yield on the 30-year benchmark bond slipped to 7.33 percent from 7.35 percent on Monday. Concern about tension in the Middle East is hurting stocks, traders said. Britain announced plans on

Tuesday to deploy Royal Air Force fighter planes to end attacks on Shiite Muslim inhabitants in southern Iraq. The United States and France are expected to join the operation, according to press reports. Kroger, the most actively traded issue on the New York Stock Ex-

change, fell 2, to 111/2, after it said it expected to report break-even results in its third financial quarter. Toys 'R' Us rose 11/2, to 381/2, after reporting higher-than-expect-

ed second-quarter earnings.

American Exploration led the American Stock Exchange actives, up ¼ at 2¼, after saying its joint venture with Texaco discovered oil at its exploration well in Tunisia.

Medco Containment led the over-the-counter actives, up 14 at 29%, rebounding from Monday's sharp loss after announcing it would acquire American Biodyne in a stock-swap deal valued at \$121 (Bloomberg, UPI)

Rate Differentials Push **Dollar Near Mark Low**

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Traders said only the threat of central bank intervention was

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keeping the dollar off its low against the German currency. 'There's a fair chance the Bundesbank may tighten again and a good chance the Fed will ease," said David Kern, chief economist at National Westminster Bank in

London. "That's hardly a recom-mendation for holding dollars." By the close in New York the dollar had subsided to 1.4575 DM from 1.4645 DM at Monday's close. The currency's low against the mark was set on Feb. 11, 1991, at 1.4430 DM.

The dollar fell against the Swiss franc, to 1.3065 from 1.3165, and against the French franc, to 4.9440 from 4.9625. The pound rose to \$1.931 from \$1.9250. But the dollar gained on the yen, due to a sharp fall in Japanese stock prices, to 126.17 yen from 125.80.

In what one U.S. investment bank ance sheets. trader in London called "probably its most strongly worded monthly report this year," the Bundesbank

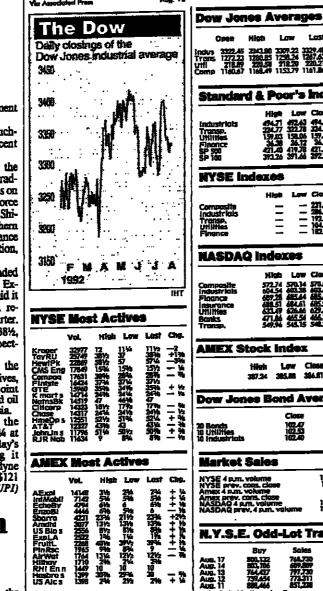
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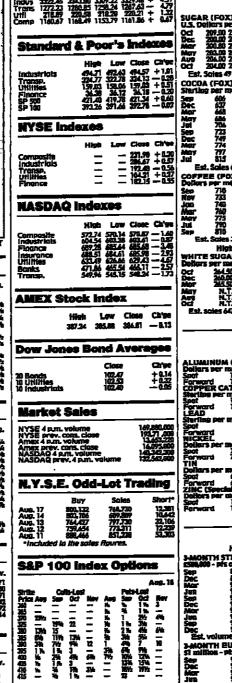
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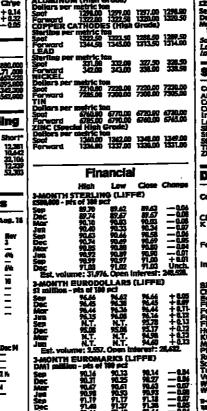
ing daily that the Federal Reserve Board will cut rates to pump life into the flagging U.S. recovery. Tuesday's data supported the eas-

Meanwhile, speculation is grow-

ing argument, with July housing starts falling 2.8 percent to 1.119 million units. "The lower housing starts show lower rates are not providing good relief," said Tom Benfer of Bank of Montreal in New York.







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Bergen Brunswig Sweetens Offer

ORANGE, California (UPI) — Bergen Brunswig Corp. sweetened its
offer Tuesday for Durr-Fillauer Medical Inc. to about \$402 million in
cash from \$317 million, topping a pending \$375 million stock-swap deal
from Cardinal Distribution Co.

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Bergen Brunswig, a pharmaceuticals distributor based in Orange, has been locked in a bidding war with Cardinal, a wholesale distributor of pharmaceuticals and health-care products for Durr-Fillauer.

FoxMeyer, Gibson Hit by Phar-Mor

DALLAS (UPI) — For Meyer Corp. said Tuesday that Phar-Mor Inc., which has sought bankruptcy court protection and accounted for 16 percent of its latest quarterly sales, owes it \$74 million.

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Fox Meyer said it may take a one-time charge because of the level of the receivables from Phar-Mor, a discount drug retailer that filed for Chapter

11 protection on Monday.

Separately, in Cincinnati, Gibson Greetings Inc. said Phar-Mor's filing could hurt earnings. Gibson said Phar-Mor accounted for 13 percent of could hurt earnings. revenue in 1991.

Compaq Acknowledges Shortages

WASHINGTON (Reuters) — Compaq Computer Corp. said Tuesday
in a filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission that it expected
its third and the Securities and Exchange Commission that it expected its third-quarter revenue and profit to be hurt by parts shortages for some

Compaq introduced several notebook, desktop and server products in June and said that the initial response has been "excellent," but it said shortests around limit to be a little of the little several as the second server and the second several s shortages would limit its ability to meet demand.

Hewlett-Packard Earnings Slip 1%

PALO ALTO, California (Bloomberg) — Hewlett-Packard Co. reported Tuesday that earnings for the fiscal third quarter, ended July 31. slipped 1 percent from a year earlier to \$191 million, or 76 cents a share. Sales rose 15 percent, to \$4 billion. Hewlett-Packard stock slumped \$3.50 a share, to \$57.125 in late trading on the New York Stock Exchange.

Continental Air Gets Filing Extension WILMINGTON, Delaware (Bloomberg) — A federal bankruptc)

judge granted Continental Airlines a 45-day extension Tuesday to file a reorganization plan without competition from other proposals.

Judge Helen Balick extended the airline's exclusivity period until Oct. 2 but said lawyers should "get off their duffs" and put together a plan.

Bally to Exchange Assets for Debt

CHICAGO (AP) — Bally Manufacturing Corp. said Tuesday that it. and its debt-ridden subsidiary, Bally's Grand Inc., have agreed with bondholders on a plan to exchange assets in the subsidiary after it is

reorganized for current notes.

Bally's Grand, the subsidiary that ran casinos in Las Vegas and Reno.

Bally's Grand, the subsidiary that ran casinos in Las Vegas and Reno. Nevada, is operating under Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection from creditors. It sold the Reno casino to Hilton Hotels Corp. for \$83 million in June after a bankruptcy court auction. The agreement would buy \$412 million in mortgages and subordinated

debentures, paying bondholders with new mortgages, shares of common stock in the reorganized Bally's Grand and cash.

For the Record

SmithKine Beecham PLC said Tuesday in London that it had formed a partnership with Marion Merrell Dow Inc., to develop and sell nonprescription drugs.

(Bloomberg)

Sen Co. said Tuesday it has settled all disputes it had with Iran and the state-run oil company over seizure of Sun assets after the Iranian revolution. Iran is to pay Sun \$130.5 million.

Dell Computer Corp., the longtime discount personal computer leader, reported a 77 percent increase in fiscal second-quarter earnings on a 129

MARKET: Tokyo Applies a Band-Aid to the Wound

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institutions were to dump shares over the next few weeks to take profits to shore up balance sheets for the fiscal half-year ending Sept. 30. A plunge in the equity market this spring was triggered by corpo-rate selling designed to bolster bal-

To prevent such a slide, Mr. Hata said he would ask institutional investors to refrain from "easy"

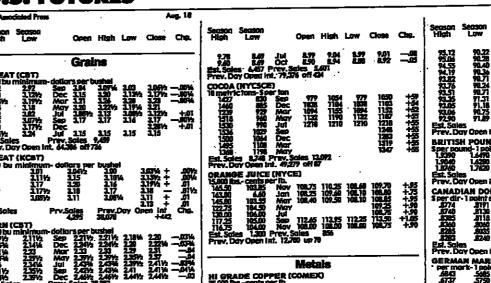
profit-taking in stocks. As an encouragement, he said the Finance Ministry would suspend a rule requiring companies to report losses on their equity holdings for the interim period. Losses would still have to be shown in full-year accountings.

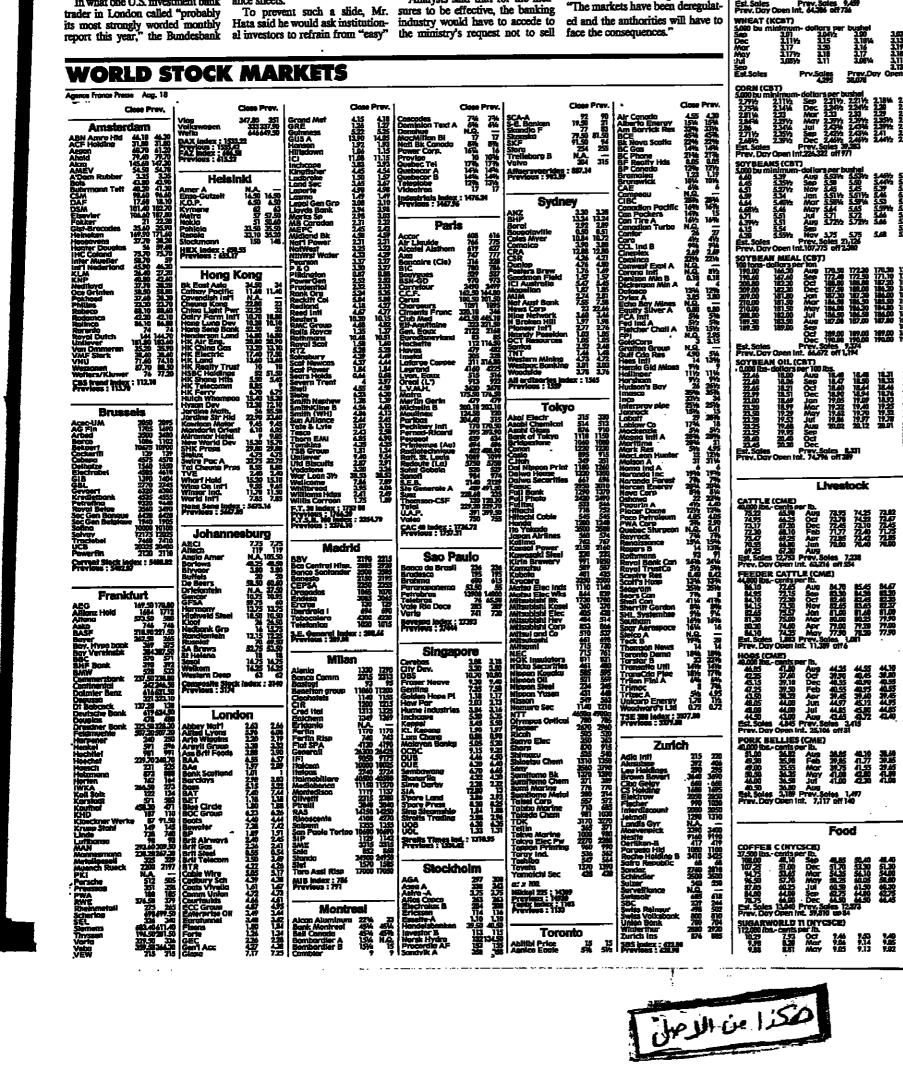
Analysts said that for the measures to be effective, the banking industry would have to accede to the ministry's request not to sell

stocks. But that proposition has been made less likely by government arm-twisting to rescue a number of problem borrowers.

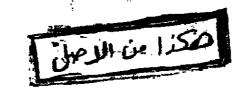
"It will prove impossible for the authorities to intervene in asset markets," said Jesper Koll, economist at S.G. Warburg Securities. "The markets have been deregulated and the authorities will have to face the consequences."

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DUSSELDORF — Mannesmann AG said Thursday that its net income plunged 89 percent in the first half, that would "pay off later."

Industrial investment by the company rose 53 per-

The engineering company said group net income totaled 15 million Deutsche marks (\$10.2 million) in the first half of 1992, down 88.8 percent from 134 million outperformed the DAX index by 5.6 percent this year. DM in the year-earlier period. Profits were weighed down by losses at Mannesmann's mobile phone unit. Excluding losses from that division, net income fell 27 percent, to 165 million DM. First half group sales rose 21 percent, to 12.8 billion DM.

After the worse-than-expected results, Mannes-mann's stock fell 29.10 DM, to 238.20 DM, on the Frankfurt exchange, where the DAX indicator dropped 22.2, to 1,533.22. That was below its previous low-point this year, 1,540.98 on Thursday.

Chairman Werner Dieter said in a letter to shareholders that the results were "not satisfactory" and that 1992 was "a difficult year for capital goods." High costs, global competition with insufficient prices, the continued disappearance of markets and the dollar-mark relation pressured earnings," he said.
"We cannot expect a fundamental change during the remaining months of this year," he added, but the

company did not provide predictions.

In addition to economic weakness, cost and price

"I'll be reducing my forecast for the year and expect the shares to go down for the time being" to as low as 230 DM, said Jenny Tora, industrial analyst at Merrill Lynch International.

The Merrill Lynch analyst said she was keeping her long-term "outperform" rating on the stock, but probwould cut her 1992 earnings forecast to between 8 and 9 DM per share from a current forecast of 12 DM. In 1991, Mannesmann earned 14 DM per share. Rod Hinkel, analyst at Hoare Govett Ltd., said

second-half earnings would be undermined by the anemic U.S. economy, the weak dollar and deciming demand from eastern Europe. At the same time, earnings would benefit from com-pletion of several large plant and engineering contracts and tax-loss benefits from the mobile phone operation, he said, citing a conversation on Tuesday with Mannes-

mann executives. That would help the company keep its 1992 dividend at 9 DM per share, he said. (Reuters, Bloomberg, AFP)

Siemens to Cut 9,000 by 1995

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MUNICH - Siemens-Nixdorf Informationssysteme AG, formed by the merger of Nixdorf AG and the computer operations of Siemens AG, said it planned to cut 9,000 jobs by the end of 1995, saving an estimated 1.6 billion Deutsche marks (\$1.09 billion).

A spokesman for the Siemens unit said the survival of the company depended on the new cuts. At the end of July, it employed 49,200 people, compared with 52,500 at the end of

The unit, which reported a 1991 loss of 781 million DM, was not expected to be profitable this year. (AFP, AFX)

EC Doesn't Expect the U.S. To Escalate Oilseed Battle

BRUSSELS - The European Community is not expecting the United States to escalate a trade dispute over oilseeds by slapping punitive tariffs on EC food and drink this week, a Community spokesman said Tuesday.

The quarrel is being handled under a General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade procedure that sets a deadline of 60 days, which runs out Wednesday, to find a solution.

Washington has drawn up a list of wines, spirits and food valued at \$1 billion on which it could impose tariffs of up to 400 percent if it does not get satisfaction, but officials and diplomats say the U.S. is holding its fire.

"We have not heard that the South America

United States intends to take retaliatory measures," the spokesman for the ECs executive Commission

GATT panels have twice supported Washington's complaints that EC oilseed subsidies hurt U.S. farmers. Such seeds as soybeans and rapeseed are crushed to pro-duce animal feed or oil.

The EC has made two offers of compensation at negotiations in Geneva, but both have been reject-

The EC contends that American soybean producers have lost their dominance of a growing European market for oilseeds not because of subsidies but because they are uncompetitive against growers in

Elf Buys Schering's **Plating** Business

BERLIN — The German chemical company Schering AG, pursuing a strategy of paring down its operations, said Tuesday it would sell its electroplating unit to France's Elf Atochem for an undis-

The plating unit, Galvano-technik, had 1991 sales of 329 million Deutsche marks (\$226 million), accounting for more than 5 percent of Schering's total revenue.

Galvanotechnik is one of the largest companies produc-ing chemicals and equipment for printed circuits and gener-al metal finishing. Schering said. It has production sites in Europe and America and re-search laboratories in Berlin

and Yokohama, Japan. Schering aims to focus on its core pharmaceuticals and agrochemicals units. As part of that strategy, it sold its indus-trial chemicals and natural substances unit in July to New York-based Witco Corp.

Elf Atochem is a division of Societé Nationale Elf Aquitaine, the French state-controlled oil company. Elf Atochem, which pro-

duces basic and specialty chemicals, operates in the electro-plating field through its U.S. subsidiary, M&T Harshaw. Elf Aquitaine's stock rose 1.5 francs to 323 in active trading

Tuesday on the Paris Bourse. In Frankfurt trading, Schering's stock fell 1.50 DM, to 698.

(Bloomberg, UPI, Reuters)

Cost-Cutting Helps SAS Return to Profit in Half

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problems that have hit the airline

the three countries whose govern-

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For the second half, traditionally

a stronger period for airlines, SAS

is forecasting no more than break-even because of a price war on

some routes and a switch to econo-

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integrating Linjeflyg into SAS Sweden," Mr. Carlzon said.
SAS wants to abolish 1,500 jobs

following the merger with Linje-flyg, but SAS cabin and ground personnel in all three countries

staged strikes two weeks ago, pro-

Linjeflyg staff on Tuesday reject-ed what they described as a deal between SAS and its own employ-

ees following the wildcat strikes.

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(Reuters, Bloomberg)

On top of that comes the cost of

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critical situation."

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches STOCKHOLM - Scandinavian industry over the past two years. Airlines System on Tuesday reported a return to profitability in the alone would have been a serious first half of 1992 but said tough competition and a widespread recession would prevent much improvement in the rest of the year.

The airline's first-half profit before extraordinary items of 502 million Swedish kronor (\$94.4 million) compared with a loss of 1.02 billion kronor a year earlier.

"SAS has bucked the trend among most European airlines' profitability development at the half-year," said Jan Carlzon, the chief executive.

Revenue rose 6.5 percent, to 16.14 billion kronor from 15.16 billion. The turnaround at SAS was attributed to a streamlining program started in January 1991 and smaller interest charges as servicing costs fell on its dollar-denominated debt. The cost of so-called net financial items dropped to 224 million kro-nor in the latest six months from

617 million a year earlier. SAS said its total passenger traffic increased 3 percent from a year earlier, when air travel was greatly reduced by the Gulf War, but was

Mr. Carlzon cited the Gulf crisis,

percent below the 1990 level.

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Den norske Bank's Loss Deepened in First Half

OSLO - Den norske Bank, Norway's biggest commercial bank, on Tuesday reported a net loss of 1.16 billion kroner (\$200 million) for the first six months of 1992, a deterioration from the 921 million kroner loss in the year-earlier period.

Despite management's argument that net interest income had in-creased while loan losses and operating expenses had been cut, investors were unimpressed. DnB's class A shares, worth 170 kroner in April 1990, plunged on the Oslo exchange after the results to 4.4 kroner from 5.5.

The six-month result was affected by a weak stock market. A profit in the year-earlier period of 141 million kroner on securities swing to a loss this time of 77 million.

Den norske and other Norwegian banks have had to resort to capital infusions from the government in their worst crisis since World War II.

holding company, Unidanmark A/S, reported Tuesday in Copenhagen that it had suffered a group pretax loss of 1.48 billion kroner

(AFP, Bloomberg, Renters)

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 Methanex Corp. said it agreed with the Metallgesellschaft AG unit Metallgesellschaft Corp. to acquire Metallgesellschaft's interest in a joint venture with a subsidiary of American Cyanamid Co., which will convert Cyanamid's New Orleans ammonia plant to produce methanol

Swiss investors are among the top foreign interests taking over newly privatized companies in the former East Germany, with 71 concerns bought to date for 700 million Deutsche marks (\$500 million), an official German source said in Zurich.

 Sedgwick Group PLC's chairman, David Rowland, said the insurance company plans to cut its year-end dividend to 3 pence a share from the 4 pence it paid a year earlier after it reported that six-month earnings fell 21

percent, to £51.7 million (\$99.5 million). Groupe Lapeyre, the French wood products company, said first-half sales rose 6.7 percent, to 2.01 billion francs (\$405 million).

• Merck AG said it agreed to market Biosite Diagnostics Inc.'s Triage urine testing kit designed to quickly detect a wide range of narcotics; no financial details were given.

• Finnish unemployment in July totaled 389,400, up 19,000 from June, and represented 15.1 percent of the work force, the Ministry of Labor said, adding that the percentage is the highest since World War II.

WANG: Pioneering Company Files for Bankrutpcy

(Continued from page 1)

to save the company, even though Wang will have to lay off 5,000 of its 13,000 workers as it turns itself into a smaller company, concentrating more on software and in particular cutting its production of minicomputers. Some analysts predicted that the company would never revive and would be broken up and sold off piece by piece.

An IBM spokesman said the

turning to other and more poten- business, in which British Telecomtially profitable aliances with com-panies that once were competitors, with 26 percent, such as Apple Computer Inc. and Groupe Bull of France. He also cited the network deal with Sears, long one of IBM's largest clients.

The retailing conglomerate also has a network of thousands of data outlets through its real estate, in-surance and brokerage subsidiarcompany's losses, if any, from the ies. IBM is hoping the merger will Wang venture were probably mini-increase its market share of 13 per-

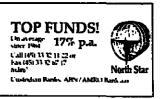
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ACCOUNTING: British Practices Come Under Fire for Rosy Results and be walked all over by vested on off-balance-sheet financing and

(Continued from first finance page) Drew, was suspended last week after a newspaper published excepts from his forthcoming book on flexible, though far from illegal, accounting techniques used by top

In an increasingly contentions atmosphere, company finance directors have been accused of distortions. Analysis have been accused, as one anditor put it, of being so underschooled in accounting that. "The finance director would come they regularly "have the wool

bulled over their eyes." And the three of his faulted for failing to cry foul.

And while the company treasurers, auditors and analysts anipe at each other, they unite in faulting the Accounting Standards Board, the 2-year-old rule-setting body, the description its feet on reform.

for dragging its feet on reform. Many cite opposition from large Many cite opposition from large corporations for the snail's pace of reform. "There always has been rules this autuum that would virtually ban the use of exceptional carty of Robson Rhodes, "but that does not mean they should lie down the snail's pace of standards Board plans to propose in the next year are rules. In those countries, not only are sally acceptable set of standards companies relatively rare, but where they do exist, items. Other measures it plans to propose in the next year are rules concentrated among banks. The

The Accounting Standards Board denies it is doing anything of the sort. "The board has a lot of changes in its sights," said Sydney Treadgold, the body's secretary.

The problem, according to one accountant, is that as a diligent outside auditor, he would inform his client that a given treatment was not acceptable, yet routinely he would have to reverse himself. back and show me the accounts of . itors whose antechnique," the accountant said.

"The Big Six stop at condemning that many British companies har-"The hig Six stop at condenning particular practices because they sign off on the accounts of companies that use some of those treatments," said Roger Adams of the Chartered Association of Certified Accountants.

And while the company treasurant and while the company treasurant and some and smallest trains at the all-important calculation of earnings per share.

Recent surveys have shown that 53 percent of British companies declared exceptional items in their accounts, versus only 9 percent in the United States. The Accounting

on profit and loss accounts.

By using exceptional items and a host of other devices, British accounting treatments tend to yield the most bullish results. The same company reporting its accounts in Britain, the United States and Germany will show the largest profits in Britain, with the United States coming in in the middle and con-

Most accountants say the nadir of British accounting comes in gains, nor are they destined for available to accountants is so rich mats for accounts now look similar as potentially to make the accounts of the Accounting Standards Board, himself has called acquisi-tion accounting no less than "the black hole of British accounting."

partners have little to teach them.
The situation in Germany and France, for instance, is widely be-

banks in turn commonly have close relations with the companies, relations that often include having directors on the companies' boards. "With the banks' detailed knowl-

France to produce accounts that put a favorable gloss on their re-sults," said one British accountant. Attempts by the EC Commission servative Germany the lowest, ac- to bring the financial reports in member countries closer together have achieved little but cosmetic British accountants said. "The for in Britain and Germany, for in-

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ferent, said Mr. Holgate of Coopers & Lybrand. The most danning task of all belongs to the International Accounting Standards Committee. It is charged with crafting an interna-In spite of their growing public is charged with crafting an internationally acceptable standard that countants insist that Britain's EC duce one set of accounts sufficient for gaining a stock listing in a num-ber of nations:

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Australia Foresees Interest Rate Drop

CANBERRA — Australia is likely to cut interest rates further if inflation stays in check, the government said Tuesday in its budget

"Further reductions in interest rates will be possible in time if the decline in inflation and expectations of inflation is sustained," budget documents said.

Monetary policy action has pro-gressively reduced Australia's cash interest rates from 18 percent in January 1990 to the current 5.75 percent. Many economists are predicting another easing, of between 0.5 and 0.75 percentage points, later this year.

The government announced a planned budget deficit of 13.4 bil-lion Australian dollars (\$9.68 biltion) for the fiscal year that began July I, mostly due to higher spending aimed at reducing unemployment. That is the deepest deficit in 40 years, and it represents 3.3 percent of gross domestic product.

The new budget bases its revenue forecasts on growth of 3 percent in GDP this year, which would be al-most double the 1.6 percent actual growth of the recently ended year. Budget outlays are estimated to

wincrease by 7.3 billion dollars, to and Snowy Mountains Engineering 109.9 billion, while revenue is fore-

Inflation is forecast to remain low, about 2 percent, while the current-account deficit is expected to widen to about 3.75 percent of GDP, or 15 billion dollars. The current-account deficit for 1991-92 was

11.9 hillion, or 3.1 percent of GDP. Treasurer John Dawkins detailed a fiscal stimulus package to pump about 4.5 billion dollars into the economy over the next two years. ously announced youth employ-

ment project and additional money for medical and housing services. Mr. Dawkins said 1.2 billion dollars of the new spending would be aimed at creating 800,000 new jobs

over the next four years.

In delivering the budget documents, he also said the government would cut its stake in the investment company AIDC Ltd. to 51 percent from 70 percent, in one of a series of asset sales that are expected to yield about 1 billion dollars in the coming three years. Other assets approved for sale

include the Commonwealth Serum Laboratories and the Moomba-to-Sydney gas pipeline. Also on the block will be the Department of Administrative Services car fleet

Asians Wonder Whether Trade Pact Chinese Firm Will Kill Their American Milk Cow Seeks Listing On Wall Street

By Leslie Helm Los Angeles Times Service

INTERNATIONAL HERALD TRIBUNE, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19, 1992

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches TOKYO - For decades, America has been the land BELIING - A Chinese of opportunity for Asia's booming export industries.
First Japan, then Taiwan and South Korea and finally joint-venture company has applied for a listing on the New York Stock Exchange, an offi-Southeast Asia added muscle to their economies by selling low-cost clothes, televisions, cars and other cial newspaper said Tuesday. products to price-conscious American consumers.

But with the announcement of the proposed North American Free Trade Agreement, which would reduce barriers to trade among the United States, Canada and Mexico, some on this side of the Pacific say the U.S. market will be much harder to crack.

Moreover, Southeast Asian leaders worry that Taiwan, Korea and Japan will redirect their investments from Southeast Asia to Mexico, building production plants there in hopes of getting more advantageous access to the American market.

Korea and Taiwan worry about emerging competition from Mexico in textiles and electronics. Japan is concerned that its automakers will be uncompetitive under the terms of the accord.

All Asia worries that the North American pact represents a big step toward the division of the world into trade blocs, a division that could be a nightmare for Asia's trading nations.

"The United States doesn't seem to be pushing

globalism anymore but rather developing its own Japanese companies will likely invest somewhere other trade region," says Kunio Miyamoto, chief economist than the United States. at Semitomo Life Research Institute.

Although countries such as Malaysia are pushing to labor quality and infrastructure will be a key to develop an East Asia bloc, Japanese analysts say the investment decisions, said Yasuo Tanabe, director of proposals are unrealistic. In spite of growing intra-Asian trade, America remains the primary market for Ministry of International Trade and Industry.

most Asian companies. "Asia can't survive without the American market," Mr. Miyamoto said.

Japan might replace America as a major importer of Asian products, but that could take years. Analysts suggested that Asian tactics to deal with the

agreement would vary greatly by industry and country. Japanese automakers will be the worst hit because of a rule requiring that 62.5 percent of the parts of cars considered to be domestic be North American-made.

Japanese manufacturers along the Mexican border that import parts, assemble products and re-export to the United States duty free - called maquiladores -

will have to find local parts suppliers if they are to avoid duties. Some companies, however, are looking positively at

the new market. Akira Kitagawa, acting director of California's of fice for trade and investment in Tokyo, said Japanese companies in fields ranging from kitchenware to food processing were interested in tapping the newly created market of 360 million people.

Companies are considering dual operations that might typically involve a factory in Mexico to take advantage of the cheap labor but a designing and packaging operation in California that would allow the products to carry "Made in U.S.A." labels.

For the most part, however, observers say most

Since U.S. duties are relatively low, factors such as

New Delhi Is Planning

National Stock Market

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

NEW DELHI — India proposes

to open a national stock exchange

that would serve as a model for its

existing 16 stock markets, Finance

Minister Manmohan Singh told Parliament on Tuesday. He gave

did not give details of the plan,

which emerged after India's finan-cial community has been shaken by

Meanwhile, stock markets ral-

lied for the third day in a row, and

traders said they expected the Bombay stock exchange index to

touch 3,000 points shortly. The

Bombay index rose 32.45 points, to

2,921.53. Delhi was up 9.81, to 699.72. (AFP, Bloomberg)

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Tokyo	Nikkei 225	14,309.41	14,929.55	-4.15
Kuala Lumpur	Composite	556.24	568.25	-2.11
Bangkok	SET	749.83	746.35	+0.47
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Very briefly:

 Telephone Organization of Thailand's director-general, Paiboon Limpa-phayom, has been removed by the communications minister pending a corruption investigation over a concession to a private company to install 4 million telephone lines.

. Japan's posts and telecommunications ministry plans to premote the use of high-definition television by giving tax breaks on purchases of costly equipment used for programs; the measure aims to reduce burdens

 Taiwan will accept the title "Chinese-Tripei" as an unofficial reference to the island when it is admitted to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, Vice Economics Minister P.K. Chiang said.

Goodman Fielder Wattie Ltd., citing downturns in the Australian and New Zealand real estate markets, is devaluing property assets worldwide by 40 million Australian dollars (\$29 million), or 7 percent.

 Microtek International, Taiwan's leading manufacturer of computer-related equipment, slashed its 1992 pretax profit forecast by 65 percent, to 110 million Taiwan dollars (\$4.4 million), citing delays in launching a new color laser printer and lower prices in the scanner market.

• China plans to invest \$150 million in a Sino-Russian economic cooperation zone in Manzhouli, in Inner Mongolia, the China Daily reported. • East Asiatic Co. (Hong Kong) Ltd.'s net profit rose 24.1 percent, to 27.3 million Hong Kong dollars (\$3.5 million), in the first half of its financial year, which ended June 30.

RICE: An Embarrassing Shortage

(Continued from first finance page) ment controls and subsidies mixed

want to export rice to Japan but also from internal market forces.

Japan says it needs to bar imports of rice to ensure that it is selfsufficient in its staple food. But because Japan's farms are tiny and inefficient, prices for rice are three to 10 times those in the United States or other countries. The rice import ban is expected to come ender great pressure later on in the current round of global trade nego-

But the current rice allocation the problem is not a shortage of rice system, a complex web of govern- but a surplus.

with free-market forces, is cracking at the seams even without the inter-

Many farmers are selling their rice directly on the private market, rather than to the government as they are supposed to. Despite generous government subsidies, many farmers cannot support themselve and are forced to take other jobs in factories or stores. And rice consumption is declining as young people grow accustomed to Ken-incky Fried Chicken and other Western fare. Indeed, in most years

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Bank of Japan: Buy, Sell or Hold?

It would be the first listing

of a China-based company on a foreign stock market.

Zhang Liping, a vice president at Merrill Lynch & Co., as say-

ing that accounting and legal problems had been resolved and that all the necessary docu-

ments had been filed with the

U.S. Securities and Exchange

Meanwhile, China Resources (Holdings) Co., one of China's largest enterprises in

Hong Kong, said it planned to

inject major real estate assets into Winland Investment Co.

and raise its stake in the real

estate concern to 51 percent from 32.6 percent. China Re-sources said it wanted Win-

land to become its principal

listed unit on the Hong Kong

exchange. (AP, Bloomberg)

The China Daily quoted

TOKYO - Investors in Japan, unlike those in the United States, Germany and elsewhere, can own a piece of the country's central bank. But with the Bank of Japan's stock underperforming even the anemic Nikkei index these days, why would anyone want to?

It might be for the status, analysts say. "It's a prestigious thing to hold," said Yoshio Miyanchi, vice president of Japan equity trading at Lehman Brothers in Tokyo.

Before the Nikkei started down in early 1990, the BOJ had outperformed the market for years. In 1975, the share price was around 25,000 yea (\$200 now), according to the Japan Securities Dealers Association. Today it trades around 187,000 yen a share. That would make an annual return of 12.5 percent. The Nikkei has averaged only a 7.3 percent gain over the same period.

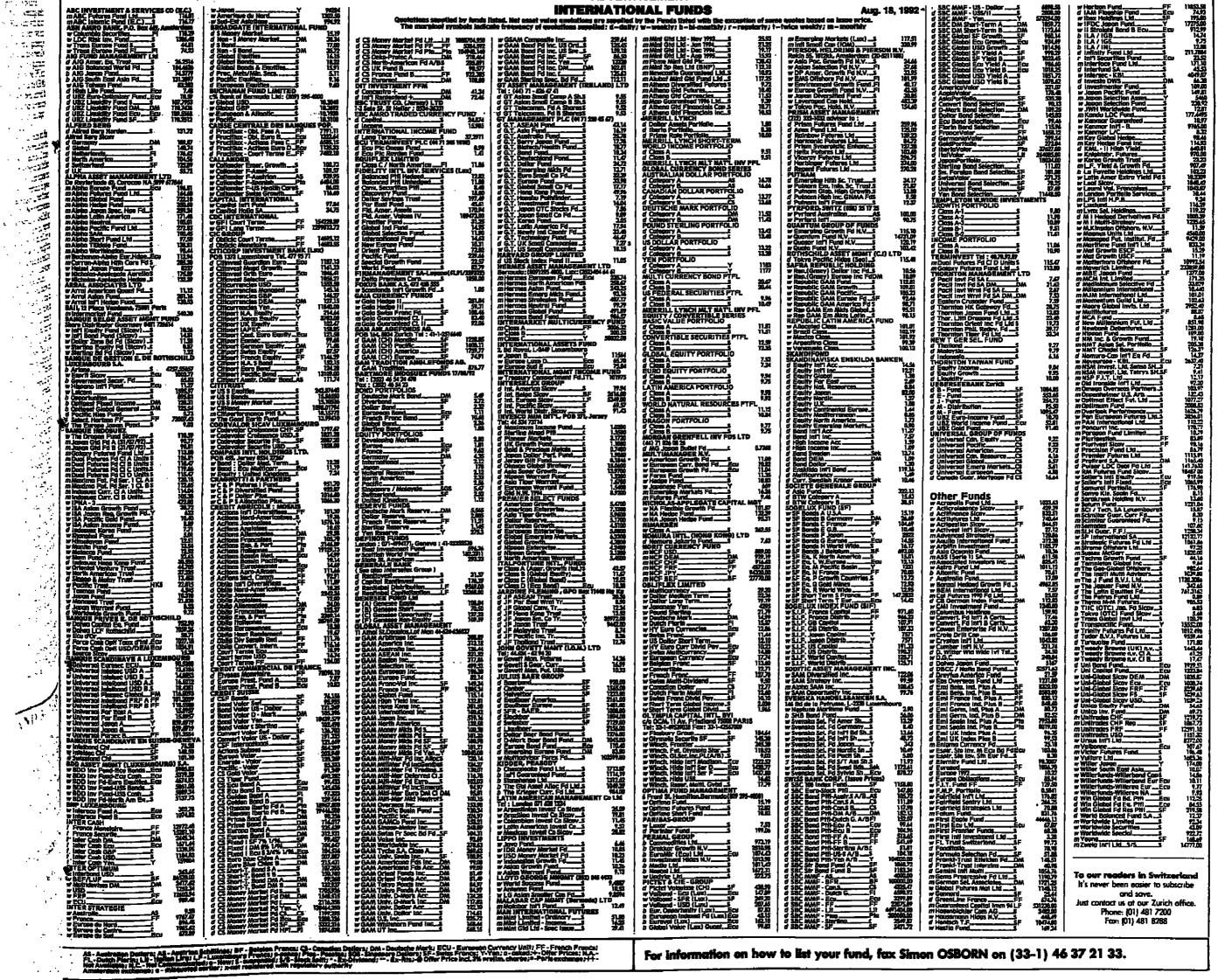
But in the past three years, BOJ shares have fallen 75 percent, from 745,000 yen a share, while the Nikkei has dropped 63 percent.
The Ministry of Finance owns 55 percent of the

1 million outstanding shares, individual investors own just under 40 percent and financial institutions and public entities own the rest.

The Bank of Japan issued the shares of capital stock in 1942, when the central bank was transformed into a special form of company, the only one of its kind. They trade on Japan's over-thecounter market. The shares have a par value of 100 yen and pay an annual dividend of 5 ven.

There's no restriction against foreign residents of Japan buying the shares but nonresidents must apply to the Ministry of Finance.

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Bird Retires As Injuries End A '17-Year High'

The Associated Press BOSTON - Larry Bird, who

helped carry the National Basketball Association to new heights of popularity, retired Tuesday from the Boston Celtics, ending a 13year career that changed the game. "This is not a sad day," said

Bird, 35, who was plagued by back problems for the last two seasons. "It's a very emotional day, but not a sad day, because I knew this day was going to come."
Bird's brilliant passing, pinpoint

shooting and relentless rebounding made him the consummate team player. He and Magic Johnson, another selfless master of the court. kept the NBA from becoming just a ch of school-yard superheroes. "When I played, I played as hard as I could," Bird said. "That's what

I want to be remembered for." They were a contrast in styles -Bird, the shy, reticent farm boy; Johnson, the hardcourt bon vivant whose bright smile lit up Hollywood. Yet, they will forever be linked, for during their era, atten-dance soared, TV money ballooned, salaries skyrocketed and basketball once again became a game of five players a side.

"Larry was the only player in the league that I feared and he was the smartest player I ever played against," Johnson said after hear-

ing of Bird's retirement. "I always enjoyed competing against him be-cause he brought out the best in me. Even when we weren't going head to head I would follow his game because I always used his play as a measuring stick against mine.

Bird's last game appearance was Aug. 8, when a U.S. team led by Bird and Johnson won the gold medal at the Olympics. Bird was scoreless in 12 minutes. His greatness was magnified by

the fact that he returned the Celtics to greatness, Boston, winner of more championships than any other franchise in NBA history, was 29-53 the year before Bird arrived and 61-21 in his first season. The Celtics' executive vice presi-

dent, Dave Gavitt, said Bird would remain with the club and "assist me in various capacities. "Among other administrative duties, he will take an active role in community functions as be has an

unending love for the people of this city," Gavitt said. Bird announced his retirement at Boston Garden, the building he graced so often with his game-winning shots that he earned the nick-

name "Larry Legend." "I'm excited going into a new life, but I'm going to miss this life," said Bird, his eyes reddened with emotion. "I've been on a high for

Larry Bird with Lizbeth Schiff, wife of the Celtics' vice chairman; her son, Alexander, and Dave Gavitt, the executive vice president, in Monte Carlo as the U.S. team prepared for the Olympics.

17 years. I enjoyed it, I just didn't and with little jumping ability, Bird like the injuries that I had, but that added a new dimension to the forgoes with the territory.

"I had a lot of injuries through the years, but I just couldn't shake the back injuries. I gave my body, my heart, my soul to the Celtics. and hopefully I can continue to valuable player three times, in have a good relationship with the 1984, '85 and '86, and was on the

At 6 feet, 9 inches (2.06 meters)

ward position with his passing acu-men and creativity, which helped bring the Celtics NBA titles in 1981, '84 and '86.

He was named the NBA's mostleague's all-star team 11 times. Bird was beset by a series of

After undergoing back surgery in June 1991, Bird played just 45 games last season, missing most of the second half and playoffs. "Last year was a tough year because after the surgery. I came back and felt very good and thought I'd

he missed 22 games.

play a lot of games, but it didn't turn out very well for me," he said. Bird took a team of nobodies at Indiana State to the NCAA championship game in 1979 before they lost to a Michigan State team led by Johnson. It was the beginning of a career-long rivalry during in which they met in the NBA finals three times. It culminated this year

played only six games in 1988-89 before undergoing surgery to re-

move bone spurs from both heels. He was healthy in the 1989-90

season, playing 75 games and averaging 24.3 points. In 1990-91, how-

ever, the back problems surfaced as

on the U.S. Olympic team. Between them they won eight NBA championships and popularized a new statistic, the triple-double - double figures in points, re-

A Gambler Bets on His Past

ONDON - Every once in a while a real man, ONDON — Every once in a winte a torn and motivated by the complexities of the real torn and motivated by the complexities of the real world, destroys the notion that soccer players are about as responsive as answer phones.

Bruce Grobbelaar, the Liverpool FC goalkeeper. acrobat and gambler, is such a man. We have grown accustomed to Grobbelaar's equivalent of the goal-keeper's high wire act, to his sprinkling of rash and mistimed impulses spread throughout a decade of often breathtaking

daring and agility. Rob Even at Liver-ool, where the inpool, where the in-

timacy between goalkeeper and crowd evolved through a succession of inspired custodians, Grobbelaar has won a special rapport. He is the showman human enough to make glaring mistakes, bold enough to stand up for his errors. and able to atone through an attitude so positive and outgoing it seems foreign to soccer's frightened age.
Foreign he is. The core of the man is African and, last weekend, knowingly jeopardizing his immediate future as Liverpool's No. 1, he answered the call of his

He was needed in two places. Sunday was Liverpool's first match in England's pretentious new Pre-mier Division. It was also the first screening for British Sky Broadcasting, now the satellite masters of En-

Grobbelaar chose instead to fly to Harare to keep goal for Zimbabwe in an African Nations Cup qualify-

ng match against South Africa. To play for the country where I was raised against the country where I was born was historic for me," he explains. "I had fought for it for six years, and to go back and be mobbed and carried aloft by the fans was injuries in the last four seasons. He

one of the best experiences I've had as a footballer. Zimbabwe, for what it matters in the wider significance of things, won by 41. Grobbelaar, who obtained British citizenship by virtue of an ancestor born in Cape Town Castle when it was considered British during the Boer War, won back his Zimbabwean passport.

It became a close thing. Right up to the Harare match, Zimbabwe refused him papers. Finally, Canaan Banana, former president of the nation and patron of the Zimbabwe soccer federation, pleaded with President Robert Mugabe to grant Grobbelsan's dual nationality

GROBBELAAR and Mugabe are not strangers.

They lought for their country, on opposite sides. Grobbelaar, though born in Durban, had volunteered for the Rhodesian Army at 17 in Ian Smith's white minority government standoff against the black guerrillas sent in by Joshua Nkomo and Robert Mugabe.

Private Grobbelaar, an all-round sporting youth, was Rhodesia's goalkeeper against South Africa at 18, and Roy Bailey, a former goalkeeper with the English club Ipswich, was amazed by Grobbelaar's audacity in concluding a swooping save by lying on the ground, spinning the ball on one finger.

Years later, Grobbelaar met Mugabe and asked if the president remembered him. "Of course I do!" said the beaming head of state.

Grobbelaar, and his past, would be hard to forget. He had friends killed and mained during the 10-year war. "When I left the army," he said a year ago, "I left for good. I've seen a life many, many footballers had

never seen. I have been called a clown in football but if I don't go onto the field with a laugh and smile, I

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shouldn't be doing it." This is the man who captivated a crowd at Wembley Stadium by walking on his hands after his team had won the FA Cup. Grobbelaar had arrived in England

via the Vancouver Whitecaps, having preferred soccer

to playing baseball. He also swims like a fish, plays golf nearly as well as a pro and has a tenacious squash game. But as the father of two daughters, he cannot spurn soccer's riches. "I'm happy to be alive and to play any sport," he reflected before this season began, "and, really, I wouldn't mind working for a living and playing at weekends. But I have two years on my Liverpool contract, and I know I can play four or five years after that in the Premier League."

He has been Liverpool's first choice since August 1981. He has laughed as few soccer players dare, and openly wept at the futility of spectators dying at matches in which he played, at Heysel and Hillsborough.

The old soldier in him almost defected from the game then. On each occasion, the managers, Bob Paisley and Kenny Dalglish, men who tolerated his aberrations and to some extent share his wider view of sport, talked him into stay.

Graeme Sources, Liverpool's latest manager, is more impetuous, less willing to forgive Grobbelaar's mad moments or his popularity.

Souness, dismantling the old to build a new team in his own image, has dropped Grobbelaar, reinstated him, and now spent almost \$2 million on David James, just 22 and a dozen years junior to Grobbelaur.

THE 6-FOOT, 4-inch (1.93-meter) James, coming from the second-division club Watford, is a young giant of a keeper. Sooner or later he will be the No. 1, provided he adjusts to the pressures at this level.

Under last Sunday's spotlight, James was blameless m Liverpool's 1-0 defeat at Nottingham Forest. Indeed, he bravely saved an inadequate defense from a rout and, Grobbelaar admitted on Monday, "I don't think the boss should make a change in goal. The lad had a very good game — and I said before I went to Zimbabwe that if David James had a blinder there was no way the boss could drop him. That is the Liverpool way, and you accept it."

Grobbelaar will say or do nothing to further accelerate his own succession at Liverpool. He is scheduled to have a club testimonial against Everton on Oct. 10, a reward to a player highly paid during 11 years as the last line of defense.

And yet, as Africans say, the bee, having tasted honey, returns to the pot. Zimbabwe has African Nations Cup matches against Mauritius on Aug. 3049 against Angola on Oct. 24 and a World Cup qualifier against Togo on Oct. 13.

For Grobbelaar, the past is beginning to make heavy demands against the present. And the future, in the shape of David James, is as eager as a young cub to

Human, these soccer stars, with career decisions to make just like the rest of us. And just at the age where Bruce Grobbelaar keeps promising himself he will temper his gambling with some safer choices, the pull on his instinct is greater than ever.

Rob Hughes is on the staff of the Standay Times

Mansell Says It's Williams Or Retirement in 1993

DOUGLAS, Isle of Man --- Formula One driving champion Nigel Mansell said Tuesday he would renew his contract with the Williams-Renault team for next season or quit racing

"It is either the Williams team or retirement," Mansell said, denying rumors he would return to Ferrari. a team he drove for in the 1980s. Mansell said he would finalize

talks with Williams-Renault "with-

THE VOLCANO LOVER:

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Reviewed by Michiko Kakutani

THE doomed 18th-century love affair

of Lady Hamilton and Lord Nelson

seems an improbable subject for Susan

Sontag, famed explicator of the avant-

garde and author of such opaque, willful-

ly modern novels as "The Benefactor"

(1963) and "Death Kit" (1967).

The story, laid out in "That Hamilton

Woman," a glossy 1941 movie starring

Laurence Olivier and Vivien Leigh that

just happened to be Winston Churchill's

favorite film, concerns the romance be-

tween the British naval hero, Horatio

Nelson, and Emma Hamilton, the beau-

tiful wife of Sir William Hamilton, the

British ambassador to Naples. Their illic-

it affair ended in 1805 with Nelson's

death in the Battle of Trafalgar. Emma.

left without an estate, died penniless 10

In Sontag's telling of the story, the focus remains firmly on Sir William Hamilton (or the Cavaliere, as she always

calls him), the diplomat and aesthete

now remembered as one of history's

years later in France.

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in the next 48 to 72 hours."

The 39-year-old Englishman secured the 1992 championship after second at the Hungarian Grand Prix on Sunday.

again with another team."

"I feel my heart is in my own country," he said at a news conference near his home on the Isle of later returned and joined Williams. Man. "I know the Williams team and the mechanics. I don't want to leave something I have created in the team and have to do it all over offered a contract for the 1993 sea-

Former champion Alain Prost, without a team this season, has said only 11 of the season's 16 races by he will also join Williams in 1993.

> Mansell and Prost clashed when they both drove for Ferrari, prompting the Englishman to announce his retirement in 1989. He

Mansell said Williams-Renault team owner Frank Williams had son several months ago.

"But he didn't tell me the conditions," Mansell said. "We have been in the game too long to take

any risks from that point of view. "I want to stay," he said. "There are only a few little things to sort out with certain assurances which other people have got to give.

> "But if not, then that is no problem. I have at least won the world championship. If the opportunity is taken away from us to defend it, there is nothing we can do about it."

the man who will become the great love voice that recounts, comments and embroiders. It's an intimate, friendly voice, erudite and knowing, yet light-years re-moved from the chilly, annoyingly ab-stract voice used in her earlier Kafka-

In keeping with her more recent es-"He intended to be a hero," Sontag says, which explore the dangers of over-rites. "He wanted to deserve praise, to emphasizing the aesthetic view of the decorated remembered to figure in with a firm moral and political point of view. She has bracketed the love story of Emma Hamilton and Lord Nelson with the horrifying story of what happened to the Neapolitan republicans opposed to Nelson's friends, the king and queen of Naples; and in doing so, she has put the

esque novels.

self-indulgent follies of the lovers into a historical perspective. Whereas "That Hamilton Woman" romanticized the protagonists as tragically doomed lovers. "The Volcano Lover" forces the reader to acknowledge their role in the politics of their time, a role

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Until he meets Emma, his nephew's mistress, the Cavaliere's passion is confined to inanimate objects: paintings, vases, and bits of stone and glass. Something in him, however, is magnetically drawn to danger. He has become ob-sessed with Mount Vesuvius, the famous

most famous cuckolds. The Cavaliere

possesses what Sontag once referred to in

an essay as "the saturnine personality":

detached. He has found escape from that

melancholia in an astonishing array of

enthusiasms: for politics, science, litera-

ture and art. He is the character in "The

Volcano Lover' who seems to hold cen-

elancholy, analytic, solitary and

volcano overlooking Naples, which threatens constantly to erupt. As depicted by Sontag, Emma (always referred to as the Cavaliere's wife) emerges as her husband's antithesis: earthy, life-loving and exuberant. Al-though she is not in love with this distinguished older man, she responds to his kindness and his eagerness to teach. She is happy to play Galatea to his Pygma-lion; that is, until she meets Lord Nelson,

of her life. Nelson (always referred to by Sontag as the hero) comes across as a kind of

latter-day Mark Antony, a man promoted by history but beguiled and nearly undone by a beautiful woman.

writes. "He wanted to deserve praise, to history books. He saw himself in history paintings, as a portrait bust, as a statue on a pedestal, or even atop a high column in a public square." In beginning of this historical ro-mance, the reader initially suspects Son-

tag of using the Hamilton-Nelson story as a means of illustrating the thesis she laid out years ago in her influential essay "Against Interpretation": the thesis that what matters in art is style, not content, the telling of the tale, not the tale itself. Indeed one is quickly mesmerized by the wonderfully supple narrative style used by Sontag in this novel.

From time to time, Sontag allows the characters to speak to us directly, but for the most part it is her own omniscient New York Times.

Sontag regards as reprehensible.

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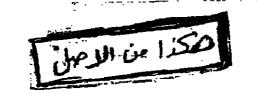


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*Braves' Team Spirit Is Winning Friends As Well as Games

By Claire Smith New York Times Service

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PITTSBURGH — The Atlanta Braves, fortunate in their firstplace performance in the National League West, are all the more alessed this season because their off-field demeanor is just as win-

That professional team-oriented behavior is reflected in the relaxed nature of the team's manager, Bobby Cox. For he knows that, as of this moment, Atlanta's latest roll over National League opponents has as much to do with cohesiveness and cooperation among his players as it does with talent and

In an era of allimportant individual statistics, the

Braves exude selflessness at every turn.

luck. Managers like Toronto's harried Cito Gaston and Oakland's sometimes-frustrated Tony Lak-ussa — burdened with balking pervish superstars — should be so lucky.

In an era when individual statistics connected to special contract clauses are known to drive players pennant-drive months. In 1991, his more so than another contending contributions helped the franchise team, the Braves exade selflessness at every turn.

It shows in the attitude of Tom Glavine, the odds-on favorite to win a second straight Cy Young Award, who won his major-league-leading 18th game last Friday as well as his 12th straight against the Pittsburgh Pirates, matching a 78-year-old franchise pecoed year-old franchise record.

When Cox declared that seven innings and 90 pitches were all Glavine needed to contribute to a game that, for all intents, was over by the second inning. Glavine did not ar-

"Shutouts are nice, complete games are nice, but I'd much rather be strong in September and Octo-ber," Glavine said. "Last year took its toll on me, so this year I'd rather take my rest where I can and be strong down the stretch."

Refreshing words? They are in this incentive-driven era, when contests for awards like the Cy ve hard complete games as well as victories.

But Glavine passed on the shot for an eighth complete game, left his innings total holding at 200%, a manageable number in a year he figures he'll make perhaps nine more regular-season starts and perhaps as many as six more should the Braves wind up in the World

. Cox had to be even more pleased with the contribution from a player not considered one of his stars, but one who now makes his living as a sort of rabbit's foot in uniform and still-effective offensive weapon thenever called upon.

That player is one Lounie Smith, infortunately more noted over the years for mishaps than for the important contributions he has made to more pennant-winning fran-

chises than any other player in the history of the major leagues.
Smith, dusted off by Cox to spell
David Justice, pelted the Pirates'
pitching with five hits in six times at bat, including a grand slam and

two run-scoring doubles.
All told, Smith drove in a career-high six runs. As Cox said, Smith is the sort of role player who can make a manager look awfully smart. He's also a player in a posi-tion to make a manager's life miser-able, if he so chooses. To Smith's credit, he chooses otherwise.

"I'm the sixth outlielder on the team and they use four," he said stoically. "But it's been easy be-cause I'm real close and good friends with a lot of guys here. I respect these gays."

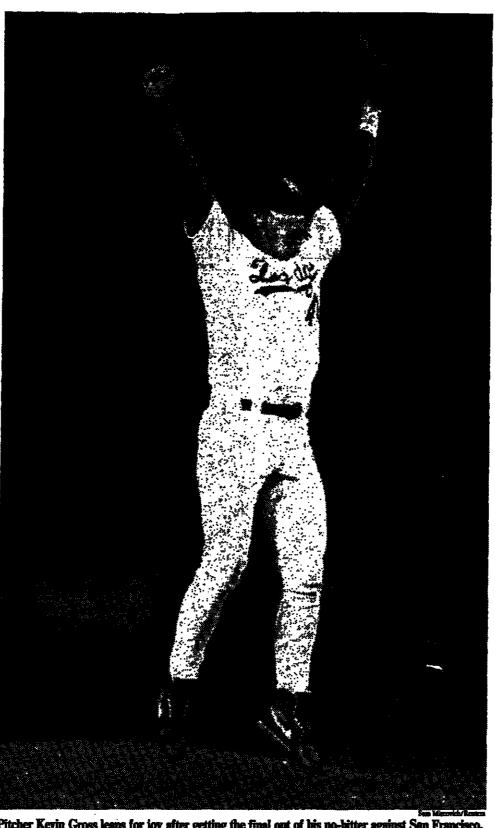
Smith also respects himself enough to believe he's still capable of contributing more than he has. He asked for a trade, even his release, earlier in the season. The Braves assured him there was no interest from other teams, and also made it known they would not swallow his contract whole.

"I hate to use the word 'stuck," but I couldn't go anywhere," Smith said. "Every player has pride and I'm no different. But I'll live with

He does, without protest, to Cox's relief. And he continues to prove, as he did last year when he filled for the suspended Otis Nixon, that he's capable of contributing hig hits at big moments, in hig to its first pennant in decades.

Once there, Smith, after going hitless in 10 at-bats through Game 3 of the league title series against the Pirates, finished at a 429 clip in the next four games and became the first player in history to play for four different teams in the World Series.

This year, Smith hopes to make it to a fifth Series, which could make being stock in Atlanta something he can than live with. Cox, who knows that winning teams are as fortunate to have contributions from the like of the Lonnie Smiths of the world as they are the Tom Glavines, will be able to live with that, too.



Pitcher Kevin Gross leaps for joy after getting the final out of his no-hitter against San Francisco.

Dodgers' Gross Pitches Season's First No-Hitter

By Bill Plaschke

Los Angeles Times Service
LOS ANGELES — The silver lining in a storm-filled season finally appeared at Dodger Stadium when an exasperated pitcher turned his hard luck into history. Kevin Gross, who began Mon-

day night's game with a 5-12 re-cord, ended it with his arms in the air and tears rolling down his cheeks after pitching a no-hitter against the San Francisco Giants. The 2-0 victory was the first no-hitter in the major leagues this sea-son, and the eighth in the Dodgers'

history.
"It makes up for a not-so-good muself,"

Cyes, no doubt about it."

He walked two and hit one batter, but of 99 pitches, only 18 were balls. His final pitch was a curveball strike that was popped to left field by Wilkie McGee.

Even before Mitch Webster caught it, the 6-foot, 5-inch 1/1 ne

meter) Gross was leaping off the mound. Soon he towered above a

He was probably looking at sev-eral members of his family, including his mother, Margo Ingram, who

later said it Gross's first no-hitter since he was 10. "We were here, crying and pray-ing for him," she said. "It makes you feel real good. A lot nicer than

heating the boos." It was the first time Gross has allowed fewer than three hits in a game in his nine-year major league might in Pittsburgh, and the Braves game in his nine-year major league career. It was the first time he has won a game in five weeks.

The only thing more improbable was that his magical night was saved by the Dodgers' shortstop, Jose Offerman, who leads the maiors with 32 errors but did not miss either of two tough chances in the

In the eighth, in the play of the game, Offerman leaped to his right, and backhanded a line drive by Robby Thompson. Half of the ball was sticking out of Offerman's glove after he brought it down.

going to get it," Gross said.
With one out in the minth, Offerman grabbed a grounder up the middle by Greg Litton to force the hitters be mark Leonard at second base after in the ninth.

Loonard had been hit by a pitch. Tonight he had command of everything and that can be the re-sult. Mike Scioscia, the Dodger catcher, said of Gross. "He's had a much better season than his record indicated. He is the most over-

looked pitcher on the staff."
Besides serving as an exclamation point for Gross's career, during which he has gone 96-113, the no-hitter could not have come at a

After Offic caught the line inning, then gave up two walks in drive, he came in and said, We're the second. But Kirt Manwaring hit a grounder to Offerman for a double play to end the imning.

Gross then retired 19 consecutive hitters before hitting Leonard Gross pitched 41/2 hitless innine

in his last start against the Cincin-nati Reds. But after Jeff Branson broke the streak with a single, Gross gave up two more consecutive hits, capped by Joe Oliver's three-run homer that gave the Reds a 3-2 victory. Earlier this season, Gross struck out 24 in a three-start stretch that ended May 24. But be didn't strike out 24 more batters until six starts later.

The Dodgers scored in the secand fourth innings against Eric Karros gave the Dodgers

their first home run in 116 at-bats in the second inning, his 17th

Braves Send Bucs As Gross finally left the mound with a red face and wrinkled uniform, he thrust a fist toward the box seats behind the plate. Another Message

The Associated Press

If the Atlanta Braves needed a psychological boost for what could be a Nanonal League playoff remains the Pittsburgh process against the Pittsburgh process. The process and the process rates, Mark Lemke and a productive weekend gave it to them.

Lemke's two-out double in the won, 5-4, for their third victory in the four-game series between the NL division leaders.

The Pirates, who lost the season series to Atlanta, 7-5, had won four straight in extra innings. The losing pitcher, Bob Patterson, has four extra-innings victories this season and 12 among his 17 major-league

The Braves won five of their last seven against Pittsburgh and took four of six in Three Rivers Stadium, where they won the final two games of the NL playoffs last October.

third one, three of four is good."
The Braves increased their lead to five games over the second-place Cincinnati Reds in the NL West, while the Pirates' East lead over Montreal dropped to two games. Sid Bream's RBI single in the first, after two-out singles by Terry

BASEBALL ROUNDUP

Pendleton and David Justice. scored the first Braves' run. The Pirates made it 1-1 in the

second against Pete Smith on Mike LaValliere's RBI single, his fourth straight hit over two games. Jeff Treadway's two-out single in the fourth gave Atlanta a 2-1 lead; the Braves scored four of their five runs with two outs.

Jeff King gave the Pirates a 3-2 lead in the fourth, following Orlando Merced's single with a homer. Bream, a former Pirate, tied it in the sixth by homering on a 2-0 pitch from Doug Drabek.

Atlanta took a 4-3 lead on Damon Berryhill's two-out RBI double in the eighth off Drabek, but the inning without a hit on Andy Van Slyke's run-scoring grounder.

Drabek gave up four runs on nine hits, walking four and striking out three over eight innings, the 21st time in 26 starts he has worked run average but only a 4-3 record in

his last nine starts.

David Justice, who broke out of a 1-for-16 slump by going 3 for 4 and scoring three times, doubled to greet Patterson in the 10th.

Patterson got the next two hit-ters, but Lemke hit a ground-rule double over the left-center-field fence one pitch after a long drive to left just went foul. Patterson hadn't allowed a run in 141/2 innings over 12 appearances.

I wanted to go away on him but got it inside, and he got it," Patterson said. "It was a bad pitch."

The Pirates' manager, Jim Ley-land, would not concede that the Braves were better, despite their season edge and their success in the final two series between the division frontrumners. The Braves won two of three in Atlanta on July 24-26. "They're good, so are we," he

said. "They've got a lot of weapons and good depth. They've got excellent starting pitching, and that's why they won last year." White Sox 4, Yankees 3: In an

American League game in Chicago, Greg Hibbard held New York to four hits over eight innings and the White Sox, with two uncarned runs in the fifth, won for the 14th time in

The Yankees dropped their fifth in the last seven games and fell into a last-place tie with the idle Cleveland Indians in the AL East. Melido Perez was the loser, al-

though he allowed only five hits and two carned runs. Royals 6, Tigers 5: Mike Macfar-

lane drove in three runs with two doubles and his third homer in three games as Kansas City beat ing Detroit. The win was the third in a row

for the Royals, and it was only the second loss in the last 10 games for

Olympic Boxing Changes Sought

Cocoa Beach, Florida, next month.

And Paul Konnor, a Milwankee attorney who is general counsel to U.S. Amateur Boxing

chine as currently structured doesn't hold judges accountable for the scores they put in. So consequently, if someone isn't pushing the

button, he can control the score on the board." Under the system used in Barcelona, a punch is counted as a scoring blow only when all five judges hit their computer buttons within a second of one another.

What Fox proposes is to forget the one-second restriction and let each judge render his stir up a homet's nest."

own computerized score for each round. At the be discarded and the scoring of the three remaining judges would be converted to a 20-

The winner of the round would get 20 points and the loser fewer than 20, with the amount depending on how much disparity there was in the number of blows registered.

"Our board of governors will approve this concept," said Fox, "because we're interested in making sure there's a level playing field."

Konnor proposes to give the judges two seconds, rather than one, to agree on what constitutes a scoring blow. His plan would also throw out the high and low scores and leave the final decision resting with the ballots of the remaining three judges.

"If the AIBA vice presidents endorse it," said Konnor, "we'd pass the recommendation on to the executive committee of AIBA." But, said Konnor, "Sometimes I feel I'm out

there like a voice in the wilderness. Most of the AIBA people act as though they don't want to

Cancel Rugby Match, ANC Official Urges

The Associa nted Press

Tshwete, said the match should not be played because "the white community is not pre-

during what was supposed to be a minute of silence at last Saturday's match between South Africa and New Zealand. ANC officials said the fate of Saturday's match would be discussed at an executive

Australia played the Eastern Province team without incident Tuesday in Port Elizabeth.

NEW YORK - Jim Fox, the executive director of U.S. Amateur Boxing, will suggest maining judges wor that the computerized scoring system used at point must system.

The winner of the his organization's board of governors meets in

and a vice president of AIBA, the world governing body for amateur boxing, will also suggest changes in the scoring at a meeting of AIBA vice presidents in Taipei in November. "The gist of it," said Fox, "is that the ma-

JOHANNESBURG - A top official of the African National Congress has said that South Africa's rugby match Saturday against Australia must be called off, the Star newspaper reported Tuesday. The ANC sports spokesman, Steve

pared to accept the hand of reconciliation. Rugby faus deserve to be punished."

White spectators sang the national anthem

meeting Wednesday. Australian team officials have said they will call off the tour, which is to end Saturday, if the ANC withdraws its support.

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Another Piggot Upset, 44 Years Later YORK, England (Combined Dispatches) - Lester Piggott, on the 44th anniversary of his first winner, rode Rodrigo de Triano to a sensational victory Monday in the hotly contested York International Stakes.

Piggott's first winner was The Chase, at Haydock, when he was 12. Rodrigo de Triano, winner of the English and Irish 2,000 Guineas but a disappointment in the Epsom Derby and Royal Ascot, came from last place beat All at Sea by a length, with 16-to-1 outsider Seattle Rhyme three lengths back and English Derby winner Dr Devious fourth.

The big disappointment in of one of the best fields in the race's 20-year at least seven. He has a 1.84 earnedhistory was the 2-1 favorite Kooyonga, winner of the Eclipse Stakes and one of the best Irish-trained fillies of recent years.

Tyson Motion for New Trial Denied

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — The judge in Mike Tyson's rape trial has denied the former heavyweight champion's motion for post-conviction relief, blocking his efforts to win a new trial.

Marion Superior Court Judge Patricia Gifford said in an order issued Monday that a contingency fee agreement between the woman Tyson was convicted of raping and her attorney was not "newly discovered evidence" and would not merit a new trial. Gifford's eight-page order also affirmed her earlier decision to deny Tyson's attorneys the right to question 19-year-old Desiree Washington.

U.S. to Widen Testing of Swimmers

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Random, out-of-competition drug testing will be conducted for the first time among the top 150 American swimmers, beginning within the next 60 days, said Ray Essick, executive

Swimmers will be notified by telephone and in writing 48 hours in dvance. Essick said Monday to coaches representing 265 teams in the U.S. Swimming National Championships. The testers will go to the home, college dormitory or vacation site of the swimmer. Previously, testing has occurred only at major competitions.

For the Record

Steve Howe, the New York Yankees' pitcher, had his plea of guilty to cocaine charges accepted Monday by a federal judge in Missoula, Montana, and was placed on probation for three years, fined \$1,000 and ordered to perform 100 hours of community service. Howe was suspended from baseball after pleading guilty June 8.

(AP)

Chris King, the 6-foot-7 forward from Wake Forest University who was

picked by the Seattle SuperSonics in the second round of the NBA draft, has with the team's blessing signed a multiyear contract to play for the Spanish professional team in Malaga.

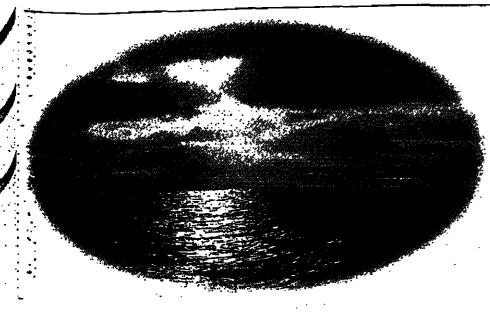
(AP) Ken O'Brien, the veteran quarterback of the NFL New York Jets, agreed to two one-year contracts Monday, ending his training camp holdout. Terms were not announced.

Onotable

• Don Zimmer, the Boston Red Sox coach, on newcomer Billy Hatcher: "He's not a great player, but he busts his tail, and around here that sticks out like a sore thumb.

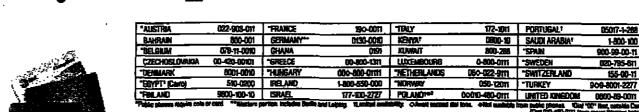
◆ Fidel Castro on the U.S. men's basketball team in Barcelona: "They did it to show off their supremacy and arrogance."

Tom Heinsohn, when asked why he chose basketball over football for a professional career: "If I was going to get beat up, I wanted to be indoors where it was warm."



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President à la Mode

By Russell Baker WASHINGTON — President Bush says he is about to enter "campaign mode." Does this mean America will then have president a la mode? Absolutely not. Do you think the president is a slice of pie?

This is the same answer I had from Bush's mode handler when he was asked if president à la mode wasn't a dangerously high-calorie finish to a four-year bout of gover-

The mode Bush will enter is not a dessert, but a new technological product of the space program. Space-news fans will have noticed that multitudes of modes pour out of NASA press releases.

There is launch mode, re-entry mode, recapture-the-lost-satellite mode, two-hour-snooze mode, expense-account-dinner mode and dozens more, including Washing-

ton-by-night mode.
A typical Washington-by-night mode is entered when two variously sexed government employees finish a two-bottle dinner and one says, "Let's not go back to the Pentagon, let's go to your place."

The mode has recently been

joined by the module, which is hard to distinguish from the old-fash-ioned model except that the "c" is misplaced and a "u" is thrown in for reasons NASA would rather not talk about. It seems pretty ob-vious though that NASA had an embarrassing excess of "n's" stock-piled and wanted to get rid of some before the press began furning

Why doesn't Bush enter one of the new-langied modules? Too risky. Since modules are much newer than modes, the Secret Service refuses to let Bush enter one until the manufacturers use stronger materials for holding the things

As the president's mode handler put it, "The Secret Service refuses to send their presidents up in those new crates held together with nothing but baling wire and chewing

Before Bush no president had ever even been in a mode. President Reagan might have done it, for the mode was already well developed in his time. Whenever people dropped by with one, however, Reagan was always busy winning the Cold War, and Mrs. Reagan refused to wake him

What's it like when Bush enters campaign mode? It is surprisingly unexciting. He undergoes no no-ticeable physical change. Through-out the entry he remains to the naked eye the same charming gra-cious gentleman the world sees when he is cruising along in George-Bush-of-Yale mode.

There is no sudden burgeoning of whiskers, sprouting of canine teeth or guttural banking such as Lon Chaney Jr. experienced when entering werewolf mode or Spencer Tracy when he abandoned good Dr. Jekyli for Hyde mode.

The United States being a nation educated at the movies, we naturally suppose such hair-raising tooth-growing changes must be necessary to transform a charmer like Bush into the creature who, as he has put it, "will do what is necessary to be re-dected."

Not so. In 1988 during his last excursion into campaign mode he turned himself into The Thing That Ate Massachusetts, yet not a single whisker was added to his sideburns, nor lang to his dental repertory.

Even though jeering at Massa-chusetts for providing the country with excellent colleges while cam-paigning to become "education president," he emitted not a single maniacal cackle of ecstasy at the way campaign mode leaves con-science untroubled by duplicity. A nation of movie-educated vot-

ers might have instantly recognized the situation and said, "Yale man sneak with forked tongue," but by then Americans were so busy feeling guilty about having once en-joyed cowboy-and-Indian movies that few dared remember the native wisdom so easily available to children on Saturday afternoons.

In becoming better and more tol-erant, we had become less skeptical, meaning more easily gulled by a full display of campaign mode. Speaking of The Thing That Ate Massachusetts, what of The Wash-ington Post's blood-curding report that the Republicans will run

against The Media? That's The Media, capital T, capital M. Isn't that The Thing That Ate America? Don't run against it, you Republi-cans. Think: Suppose it wins. Imagine: an entire character-flawed country incessantly badgered by the self-righteous for being human.

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Hard Times at the Hermitage

By Michael Dobbs

Washington Post Service
T. PETERSBURG — For more than a O quarter of a century until his death in 1990, Boris B. Pyotrovsky fought with the Communist regime to preserve one of the jewels of world culture — the Hermitage seum in Leningrad. Today his son, Mikhail B. Pyotrovsky, is waging a similar battle with Russia's democratic government. It seems that the elder Pyotrovsky had the

"The Communists understood that it was necessary to show the world they were capable of preserving the country's cultural heritage," said Mikhail Pyotrovsky, who was appointed director of the Hermitage last month. "If you were in charge of a place like the Hermitage, it was possible to squeeze the money you needed out of the government. "The Communist system has been replaced by no system at all. We are trying to build a

wants to help culture, but it does not have the means to do it." On his desk were stacks of proposals for raising money to maintain an art collection begun more than two centuries ago by Cath-

new society at all levels. The new resime

erine the Great. The Hermitage, founded in 1764 by Catherine as a court museum, adjoined the Winter Palace and served as a private gallery for the art amassed by the empress. Under Nicholas I, the Hermitage was reconstructed and opened to the public in 1852. Following the October Revolution of 1917, the imperial

collection became public property.

Like many other cultural monuments in Russia, the Hermitage has fallen on hard times. The roof leaks. The walls need repairing. Air conditioning must be installed to protect the priceless collection of Old Masters and Impressionists from damage. The security system is out of date. Members of the staff have been threatening to go on strike for

higher pay.

Coddled by the Communists, the Hermitage now receives only half its annual budget from the state. According to Pyotrovsky, the museum needs to raise \$200 million by the end of the century to keep its buildings and

artwork intact.
"We are determined to keep our collection intact." Pyotrovsky said, recalling how the Bolsheviks in the early 1930s, desperate for foreign exchange, sold Andrew Mellon 21 paintings that now form the core of the National Gallety collection in Washington.

"A museum cannot be a shop," he said. "It is a historical monument, like a monastery or a palace, that must be preserved as it is." The Hermitage's inventory of about three million pieces of art — only a fraction of them on display — is reported to be in disar-

Earlier this month, the newspaper Sovyetskaya Rossiya quoted a senior staff member as

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Mikhail Pyotrovsky, the new director of the Hermitage.

saying that 600,000 etchings were stored in "the most absurd way. There is no system at all. Closets are jammed with folders. . . . If someone wanted to take something out of the Hermitage, they could do it quite freely."

According to the newspaper, 150 members of the Hermitage staff signed a petition describing working conditions as unbearable and calling for the museum's temporary closure. The newspaper also described a string of recent mishaps, including the smashing of a unique bronze floor lamp because of vibration from a passing trolley and the piercing of a Flemish masterpiece by a falling curtain

Pyotrovsky described the Sovyetskaya Rossiya report as a mixture of "outright lies" and "exaggerations." He acknowledged, however, that there had been rumblings of discontent among the 1,300 staff members because of low pay. The average monthly salary at the Hermitage is about \$12.50. Many scholars and professional workers live below the poverty line.

Although much remains to be done, the Hermitage has begun renovations. The Small

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Hermitage, the central part of Catherine the Great's art collection, recently has been repaired. Ballet and opera performances again are being staged in the czar's private the The next stage of the renovation project is the adjoining Winter Palace, whose storming in October 1917 became the symbol of the Bol-

The Hermitage also is trying to fend off demands by former Soviet republics for the return of their "national heritage."

An agreement signed by the heads of the Commonwealth of Independent States in February provides for "the return of cultural and historic treasures to their countries of origin."

The Russian parliament has refused to rati-

fy the agreement, which could severely damage many of the country's finest art collections. Pyotrovsky said he will refuse to permit treasure-hunting by other republics in the Hermitage as long as he is director.

"This idea of dividing everything up is very Bolshevik, very revolutionary," he said.

"Rob the robbers' has been the stogan of all

revolutions. We cannot afford this slogan

PEOPLE

Newton in Bankruptcy

debts. Newton's assets have not yet been appraised, but they "pretty much include everything he has," said his lawyer, Gerald Gordon. The holdings include Newton's Arabian horse ranch and his mansion on the outskirts of Las Vegas. Newton, 50, makes millions of dollars a year, but some of his investments have gotten him into trouble. In 1989, he had to get a court order to keep a savings and loan assocation from foreclosing on land he owned across the street from his home.

The luxnry yacht of the late shipping tycoon Aristotle Onassis couldn't find a buyer when it put up for auction by the Greek state on Tuesday. Only two potential buyers showed up and both said the \$4.2 million starting price was too high. The 325-foot (100-meter) Christina, named after Onassis's late daughter, was given to the state in 1978, but the Finance Ministry said it could not afford to maintain it. The vessel has hosted some of the world's greatest political and show business celebrities including Marion Brando, Winston Churchill and Maria Calles. Jacqueline Kennedy Onessis used the yacht to cruise the Mediterranean when her husband was away on business. The auction will be repeated next month and officials said the opening price will be lower.

A U. S. appeals court has upheld a jury verdict that Stevie Wonder did not steal his hit song "I Just Called To Say I Love You" from a Los. Angeles songwriter. Lloyd Chiate contended that Wonder learned the song in 1976 from the singer's half-brother, who had heard "Hello It's Me / I Just Called To Say," written by Chiate and Lee Garrett, a boyhood friend of Wonder's. A jury in Los Angeles found that the two songs were not substan-tially similar and that Wonder had not copied Chiate's song... The rap group 2 Live Crew violated a copyright held by a Nashville music publishing house on the Roy Orbi-son song "Oh, Pretty Woman" by recording a parody of the song, a federal appeals court has ruled, in

Wayne Newton, the singer-actor who began as a child star and rose to fame as a headliner in Las Vegas, has filed for bankruptcy protection over an estimated \$20 million in debre Newton's account of the song.

Alison Wardie, the nanny who has

cared for the Duchess of York's two young caughters since they were born, is quitting, and the London tabloids say the duchest's Texan friend, Johnnie Bryan, is the cause. friend, Johnnie Bryan, is the cause. Wardle who cares for Princess Bestrice, 4, and Princess Engenie, 2, was said, to have called Bryan "a
typical larger-than-life Texan who
loves himself, enjoys giving orders
and has no manners." But Bryan
dismissed allegations that the namy
is resigning because of him and said is resigning because of him and said she was leaving to become a nursery school teacher. Bryan, who has been a constant companion of the duchcts since she separated from her husband, Prince Andrew, five months ago, also denied that he had moved in with her at her home near London. Paris Match maga-zine denied Tuesday that it was about to publish pictures of the duchess frolicking topless on vacation in the south of France. A Paris Match editor said that he had been offered photographs, but that they were taken from so far away it was not even clear that they were of the

About 700 frenzied Madonna :fans jammed a suburban Detroit hotel to mark their idol's 34th birthday. The pop singer wasn't there but there were enough Ma-donna wanna-bes on hand to make up for it. Gilian Opolko, 18, of Kitchener, Ontario, won the Madonna look-slike contest, a highlight of the first International Madonna Appreciation Convention.

The NBC correspondent Arthur Kent, suspended after refusing an assignment to Croatia, stood outside NBC headquarters in New York and passed out leaflets denomicing the network. In the fliers, Kent complained of "being slandered as a coward and a shirker." Kent, who reported from Sanda Arabia during the Gulf War, was suspended along with a producer, Joe Alicastro, after the two refused an assignment to Zagreb. The suspensions coincided with the news that an ABC News producer, David reversing a lower court's decision. Kaplan, had been shot to death in Acuff-Rose Music Inc. seed 2 Live Sarajevo.

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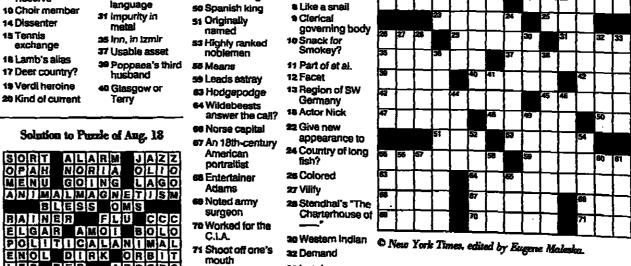
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